

Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Andover's own Jay Leno was on Main Street Tuesday, filming a promotion to tease the fact that Channel 7 will be an NBC affiliate Jan. 1. For a story on the nighttime TV star, see page 6.

Voters want ban on train whistles and say: Yes to \$650,000 for schools; hold on Holt Hill

By Don Staruk

Despite no quorum requirement and rain slicked roads, 443 registered voters showed up and quickly approved eight of nine articles in a speedy Special Town Meeting Monday night that lasted only about 65 minutes.

The primary reason for the meeting was the transfer of \$650,000 to the schools budget, which was approved.

Voters also approved:

- Sending a request to the Legislature to ban sounding of train whistles in Andover;
- Purchasing a piece of conservation land on Fosters Pond for \$30,000;
- Spending \$15,000 to create a new program that would allow senior citizens to do community service in exchange for a break on their property taxes.

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Soccer coach and four youths hurt in crash

By Don Staruk

An Andover soccer coach, one of his sons and three other youths were injured when the car they were in slammed into a school bus at the intersection of Route 125 and Gould Road in the rain Monday afternoon. The bus then hit a second car, pushing it into a third car.

Firefighters used the Jaws-of-Life hydraulic tool to remove at least two of the victims from the first car.

Detlef Schoeppler, 32, of 235 Salem St., the driver of the first car, was taken to Lawrence General Hospital where he was listed in stable condition Tuesday. He was scheduled to have surgery on his knee Tuesday afternoon.

Craig Lochmann, 10, of Seten Circle, was taken to Lawrence General Hospital with a broken collarbone, and was released Tuesday. His mother, Cheryl Lochmann, said all the boys had bruises and burns from the seat belts, which she said saved her son's life. He was in the back seat behind the driver.

"If these children weren't in such a sturdy car, and if they didn't have their seat belts on, they all would have been killed," Ms. Lochmann said.

Kurtis Green, 10, of Lowell Junction Road, was taken to Lawrence General Hospital and transferred to Massachusetts General Hospital, where he was listed in stable condition Tuesday.

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Spotlight on Chapter 766, special needs

First in a series that will run from time to time on special-needs students in the Andover public schools. This week, the series covers the students — how many there are, where they are in school, and what it costs to educate them.

Who are these special needs kids?

By Alix Driscoll

Kim and David Yoshidas' son, Brent, now 6 years old, was born with Fragile X Syndrome, a condition that causes developmental delay. This year, Brent studies with Cliff Bourie in a small-

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group resource-room program at Bancroft School. When he is able, he spends varying amounts of time in Diane Connolly's first-grade class, with assistance as needed.

"The goal is to have him in first grade as much as possible, but he also needs the one-to-one in the resource room," says Ms. Yoshida.

"The program is built for Brent, with the school and his teachers fully committed. The kids in the first grade love him. He sees himself very much a part of the first grade," she says.

"David and I have found a way to work really hard with the system. We have developed trust. But trust does mean you're not going to get everything you need," she says.

Brent isn't studying in his neighborhood school, Sanborn. Last year, Brent didn't get the occupational therapy he needed and this year, the system is short one speech therapist.

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Holiday Open House Hundreds attend, sans lights, ice sculptures, bathrooms

By Don Staruk

The Andover Center Association's Holiday Open House brought people into the downtown Friday night, Dec. 2, but some left disappointed that the Christmas lights were not on, an ice carver didn't show and the bathrooms at Old Town Hall were off limits to the public.

"Massachusetts Electric was supposed to power up our temporary service for the lights," Sean Quinn, chairman of the Andover Center Association, said Monday. "That was scheduled to happen last Wednesday. For some reason, which no one can figure out, that never happened."

The lights are the responsibility of the Center Association, not the town, according to Mr. Quinn. The town makes a contribution to the Christmas lights fund, and the rest is raised from businesses downtown. The association contracted with a private company, Bomar Christmas Decorating of Goffstown, N.H., for decorating and lighting the downtown. Mr. Quinn said he called Bomar last Thursday and was assured that the lights were all set, that all that needed to be

done was to flip a switch.

But when the switch was flipped Friday, there were no lights. By then, Bomar's offices were closed and nothing could be done.

"From what I understand, they came out and did it this morning," Mr. Quinn said Monday.

"I was really disheartened, but after taking a walk down the street, and seeing all the people — a lot of people came down and had a lot of fun and walked and enjoyed the downtown," Mr. Quinn said. "It didn't make the night a loss. The street was lit up with smiles and conversation this year."

"But we were very disappointed the lights weren't on and I apologize to everyone who expected them to be on," Mr. Quinn said.

Ice melting

But the lights weren't the only attraction missing this year. The Center Association had scheduled an ice carver to create an ice sculpture in front of Old Town Hall Friday night, but the artist called in sick Thursday

and there was not enough time to schedule another, Mr. Quinn said.

He said the Center Association may try to find another artist and try to reschedule the ice carving for another time before Christmas, but he wasn't sure that would be possible.

Yes — we have no bathrooms

And for the final missing item at the Holiday Open House, the bathrooms at Old Town Hall were posted off limits to the public Friday night because the building was being used for a private function.

In the past few years, the Andover Garden Club had hosted the Festival of Trees at Old Town Hall on the same weekend, and the building was open to the public. But with the Festival of Trees not scheduled this year, the building was rented to a private party. And due to either poor planning or a miscommunication, no prior arrangements were made for the bathrooms to be available to the pub-

lic, and a notice was posted on the door saying the bathrooms were not open to the public that evening.

Despite the shortfalls, people still had fun, Mr. Quinn said.

The Confetti Kids sang and danced, the New Liberty Jazz Band filled the streets with music, and people sipped hot cider and cappuccino from Elm Street to Punchard Avenue. There were lines of families waiting for a turn on the hayride and many children had the opportunity to give their Christmas wish lists to Santa Claus.

"All in all, I think Friday night was a success," Mr. Quinn said.

The Christmas lights are scheduled to be on every night through the holidays, and many stores downtown will be open until 8 p.m. through Christmas.

[For photos of the Holiday Open House, see page 29.]

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Andover soccer coach and four youths hurt in crash

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tion Wednesday with an injury to his spleen. Kurtis, who was in the front passenger seat, also suffered a concussion, had stitches near his eye and had other cuts on his face and bruises, according to his grandmother, Betty Green.

Brandon Schoeppler, 10, and who was also in the back seat, was taken to Holy Family Hospital, where he was treated and released.

Matthew Wojtkun, 10, of Windsor Street, was taken to Holy Family Hospital where he was treated and released.

Mr. Schoeppler was traveling west on Route 125 approaching Gould Road at about 3:30 p.m. Monday, when an Andover school bus pulled out of Harold Parker Road, attempting to cross to Gould Road. Mr. Schoeppler allegedly hit his breaks but couldn't stop, and the front end of his gray four-door Mercedes went under the right side of the school bus, just in front of the rear wheels.

The frame of the bus peeled back the hood of the car and cut through the windshield right back to the dashboard, but stopped short of the passenger compartment. No students were in the bus at the time.

Trooper Kevin O'Neil of the Andover state police barracks said he believes all five people in the car were wearing seat belts. But the Andover Fire Department report states that Mr. Schoeppler did not



have his seat belt buckled.

Ms. Lochmann said the four children were all wearing seat belts.

Trooper O'Neil said the injuries in the front could have been even worse. "A lower car or a little faster and we would have been having some decapitations," Trooper O'Neil said.

Stopped for seat belt

Ms. Lochmann and Mr. Schoeppler's wife, Cathy, and the Schoeppler's little girl and baby were driving in front of Mr. Schoeppler just prior to the accident. They had all just left the Schoepplers' house and were headed to Woburn for an

indoor soccer game. But Mr. Schoeppler asked if all had on their seat belts, and his son, Brandon, said no, that his buckle was caught in the door, according to Ms. Lochmann. Mr. Schoeppler stopped on Vine Street so Brandon could open the door and buckle his belt. Then they continued on. Ms. Lochmann said she and Ms. Schoeppler hadn't stopped on Vine Street and were already at the game, wondering what was holding up the others when a state trooper walked in and told them.

Nearly crushed

Diane Rice, a teacher at Pike

Emergency medical technicians worked with the Jaws-of-Life hydraulic tool to remove Detlef Schoeppler, 32, of 235 Salem St., from his car Monday.

Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

School, was on her way home to Cambridge and was sitting at the stop sign on Gould Road waiting for traffic to clear on Route 125 when the accident occurred. Ms. Rice said she let some traffic go by and saw the gray Mercedes coming and decided he was going too fast for her to pull out, "because this guy was traveling," she said of the Mercedes.

Then she sat there incredulous as she saw the bus pull into the intersection opposite her. Ms. Rice said she saw the tires on the Mercedes turn sideways as Mr. Schoeppler apparently attempted to stop.

"The next thing I knew the bus is practically on top of me," Ms. Rice said.

When Mr. Schoeppler smashed into the right side of the bus, the rear of the bus smashed against the front left side of Ms. Rice's car, striking the hood, front fender and door, breaking the windshield and shattering the driver's side mirror and window. Her car then struck a car driven by Lydia

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South School breaks ground

By Neil Fater

Officials began the South Elementary School construction project with a splash Monday morning, as inclement weather forced them to throw the ceremonial first shovels-full of ground into pools of rain water.

But the wet weather didn't dampen spirits.

"I think it's significant that it's raining today," Buzz Stapeczynski, town manager, told South School students prior to the ground breaking. "Because after you plant a seed you need a little rain to make it grow."

Mr. Stapeczynski introduced students and parents to some of the construction project cultivators they will see during the next few months. He called the construction "a wonderful educational experience."

"We're going to be coming into your classrooms and telling you about" the project, said Jim Marsh, School Building Committee chairman. "It's going to be a big transforma-

tion here so we want you to wear your hard hats."

Mr. Marsh's children took his advice, wearing hats that said, "South School, building future leaders." They held a banner along with the helmeted children of Madhu Sridhar, who was instrumental in the passage of the Proposition 2½ override, and Marjorie Dennis, vicechairwoman of the building committee. Teachers wore similar hats during the first day of school.

Anne O'Connor, a long-time South second-grade teacher, videotaped the

ground breaking festivities. Principal Eileen Woods said Ms. O'Connor will likely record the construction status every two weeks.

The South project is the first of the three school improvement projects to get underway. It was a welcome sight, particularly since officials considered closing down the school years ago, said Christine Maynard, a

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Trucks, tractors, fences all around,
I'll watch as the men tear up the ground.
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There'll be a music room and an art room and a gym too.
"Keep Out" signs, "Men at Work,"
Fill our playground where there is dust and dirt.
I'll watch our playground grow big and wide,
There'll be swings, benches and even some slides.
Teachers in construction hats look really cool,
Mrs. Woods will be busy making safety rules.
I can't wait till the construction is done,
I know, I know, it hasn't even begun.

Priya Sridhar

Early deadlines at Christmas and New Year's: See page 3

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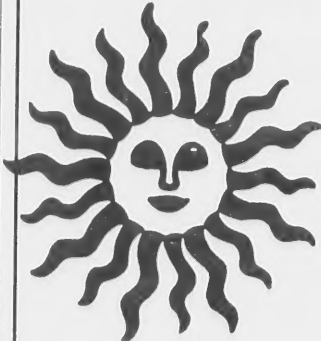
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Jay Leno visit turns early afternoon into prime time

By Neil Fater

Cheryl Prochilo may have intended her son's report card to go up on the refrigerator door Tuesday morning. But by Tuesday afternoon, the report card was destined for a better place, thanks to the quick pen of local-boy-made-star Jay Leno.

Distributing handshakes and autographs, Mr. Leno returned to Main Street Andover this week to film promotional segments with Channel 7's entertainment reporter, Sara Edwards.

As the tape rolled, Mr. Leno told Ms. Edwards that when he went into Andover stores he still recognizes many of the shopkeepers. *The Tonight Show* host also explained that youths here aren't as spoiled as people think because "most of the kids are like 20 before they get a Porsche."

The goal of the segments is to get stodgy New Englanders to accept the fact that Boston television channels 4 and 7 will be switching network affiliates at the beginning of 1995.

"Just the idea of having to press the button three more times to get from (Channel) 4 to 7 will send people reeling," in New England, joked Mr. Leno.

In between brief segments, Mr. Leno posed for photographs, accepted compliments and generally attracted more attention than Special Town Meeting.

Among the slips of paper signed by Mr. Leno were a report card and a

library card jacket from John and Anthony Prochilo, the fourth- and second-grade sons, respectively, of John and Cheryl Prochilo, of 23 Fossen Way.

Ms. Prochilo said that while it had already been a fine report card, the star's signature made it "even better, and probably worth more."

Despite Mr. Leno's popularity on the street, a National Broadcasting Company network official said that Mr. Leno would serve as the head spokesman only for Boston's network change.

"This is his hometown so it certainly made sense," said Deborah Hamberlin, NBC vice president of affiliate advertising and promotion. "But in terms of being the real spokesman, no, this one's it."

Ms. Edwards planned to film a behind-the-scenes of *The Tonight Show* spot soon, possibly by next week. Mr. Leno was scheduled to tape a segment in Baltimore Tuesday night and planned to be back in Los Angeles for a benefit yesterday.

"He'll get in (Wednesday) at 2 or 3, get a little sleep, and go back to work," said Ms. Hamberlin, attempting to steal James Brown's title of "the hardest working man in show business" for Mr. Leno.

"He's probably going to have to nap on the way back," said Paul Carey, Mr. Leno's chauffeur during his brief Mas-



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Jay Leno mugs for the cameraman while Josephine O'Hagan, left, and Elizabeth "Betty" Silva, both of Andover, enjoy themselves. Ms. O'Hagan said she'd met Mr. Leno during a previous visit to Andover, also on Main Street. "I wasn't as close to him as I was today," she said Tuesday evening. Mrs. O'Hagan, who is 77 years old, had just gone to CVS to pick up some medicine and then she went to the bank and she then saw Mr. Leno. "I walked down there to meet him and he said, 'Aren't you nice coming over here.' I said, 'Well, I think you are pretty sharp.' Then I said to Betty, 'I'd like to give him a nice kiss,' and he said, 'No, no, no, no.' I bet it's because of that pretty wife of his."

sachusetts stay. "It has been a fun day. He was very warmly received in his hometown. You could tell there was genuine affection."

Mr. Carey said *The Tonight Show*

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"Before this I thought I was doing well with Randy Hendricks, Roger Clemens' agent," he said.

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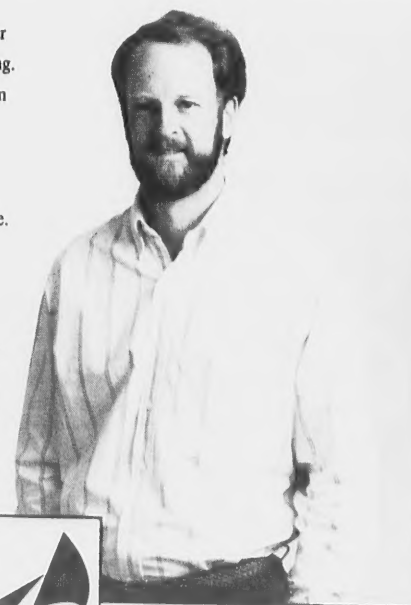
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Tax rates to go up 6 %

Shift remains at 135 percent for business

By Don Staruk

Residential and commercial tax rates will each go up about 6 percent this year, which means a home valued at \$227,300, the average assessment for a single family home in Andover, will pay an additional \$209.

A home valued at \$125,000 will pay \$115 more, and a home valued at \$400,000 will pay another \$368.

The tax rate for Residential property increased 6.07 percent, from \$15.14 per \$1,000 of value to \$16.06.

The Commercial and Industrial tax rate increased 6.146 percent, from \$22.78 to \$24.18.

Selectmen voted on the tax rate at their meeting Tuesday night, Dec. 6.

They voted not to change the tax classification shift, a tool used to adjust how much of the tax levy will be raised by residential taxes and how much will be raised by business taxes. While residential properties are taxed at 100 percent of their value, C/I properties were taxed at 135 percent of their value last year, and that shift will remain the same this year.

The vote was 3-2, with Selectmen Gerald Silverman, Charles Wesson and William Downs voting in favor, and selectmen Larry Larsen and James Barenboim against.

Selectmen Larsen and Barenboim proposed reducing the shift to 130 percent, but that proposal was voted down.

"I, for one, still feel tax classification is wrong," Dr. Larsen said prior to the vote. "I've always felt that way. Unfortunately, it's addictive."

He and Mr. Barenboim expressed concern that the high shift sends the wrong message to business. Mr. Barenboim maintained that all property should be taxed at what it is worth, and not any factor above or below that.

Dr. Larsen said he'd like to see the board have the courage to lower the rate as "enthusiastically" as they raised it last year.

Angered business owners

After the vote, Greg Doyle, president and owner of Doyle Lumber Co. on River Road, complained that last year, when the shift went from 120 to 135 percent in an effort to minimize the effect of a big decrease in C/I property values, board members said they would try to drop the shift when things changed. He wanted to see that begin this year, with the reduction to 130 percent to offset the slight increase in C/I properties.

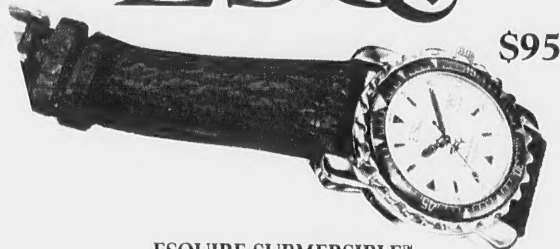
"It's a very political thing and I don't like what I see," Enzo Fossella, owner of Enzo of Andover, said after the meeting.

Bill Ryan, of Andover and president of the Andover Chamber of Commerce, said select-

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Doctors honored for service

Eight Andover physicians were among those recently honored at Andover Country Club for serving area residents who do not have a private physician.

The Andover group has provided 202 years of care through the service call roster at Lawrence General Hospital. The physicians rotate through the service, ensuring that all people who come to the hospital

seeking care receive it, often at a reduced rate or free of charge.

The board of trustees and director of the Lawrence General Regional Health System and more than 200 medical and management staff member gathered to recognize the physicians' contribution. The Andover group also has committed a total of 240 years as members of the hospital medical staff.

Ipswich Bank opens branch in N. Andover

Ipswich Savings Bank celebrated the official opening of its newest branch across from Merrimack College in North Andover with a ribbon-cutting ceremony last month.

In conjunction with the opening, the North Andover School Committee received an initial contribution of \$500 to fund the Ipswich Savings Bank Foundation, established by Ipswich Savings Bank. The bank will contribute \$5 for every new account opened at the new North Andover Branch. "As a community bank we want to get involved with the heart of the community; its school system. We hope to get residents of North Andover and the surrounding communities to join us

and collectively support the North Andover School System," said, David L. Grey, president of Ipswich Savings Bank.

The North Andover Branch of Ipswich Savings is one of four locations. Ipswich Savings has been providing mortgage financing to North Andover, Andover and surrounding communities for several years.

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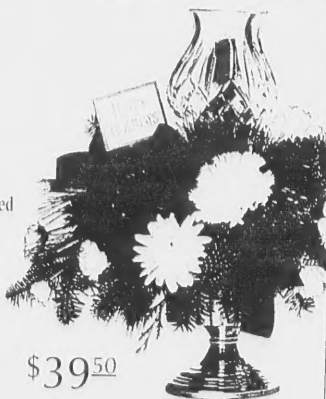
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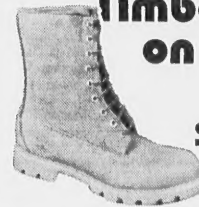
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MV Chamber plans two events

The Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce will hold a holiday marketing mixer Tuesday, Dec. 13, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Andover Country Club.

The chamber is promising a "relaxing evening of mingling and merriment as you... exchange ideas, business cards and holiday cheer."

Advance reservations are \$7 for members and \$10 for non-members.

The chamber also is planning a "Human Resource Jeopardy - Holiday Luncheon" Thursday, Dec. 15, from noon to 2:30 p.m. at the Andover Marriott.

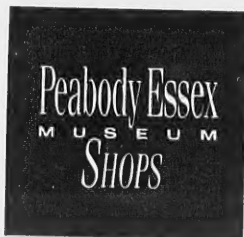
The event is a "must attend" for those involved with human resources, office management or hiring, according to chamber personnel.

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Jay Weiner named to mortgage board

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lives in Andover with his wife and two children.

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During his more than 12 years as a lender, Mr. Weiner has been involved with the local board of realtors and other organizations.

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John Callanan named to new business initiative

In a move to strengthen the company's position in shoe booting, Stephen A. Fine, president of The Bilrite Corporation, has announced a reorganization of the Footwear Products Division.

John E. Callanan of Andover, who has been named president of the division, has been designated to head this new business initiative.

Mr. Callanan has 20 years of industry experience. He has

been vice president of sales at P. Clayman & Sons/Frelonic for the past six years. Prior to that he spent 14 years in production and sales at Monarch Rubber. Mr. Callanan will report directly to Mr. Fine.

The Bilrite Corporation is also undertaking a search for a vice president of international sales for the Footwear Products Division. The individual selected will report directly to Mr. Callanan.

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North East Builders Association to meet in Andover Dec. 15

The North East Builders Association, which has headquarters in Dracut, will hold a general membership meeting Thursday, Dec. 15, at 6:30 p.m. at Andover Country Club.

Karl E. "Chip" Case, economics professor at Wellesley College, will be the speaker. He will speak about regional economy and the housing market in the 1990s.

Professor Case is also a lecturer at Harvard Law School, a visiting scholar at the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston and the author of several books, including *Principles of Economics*, *Tax Policy*, *Property Taxation* and *Need to Reform*.

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Ruth Clark and Marcia Hochman honored for their work with the DOR

Ruth Clark and Marcia Hochman, both of Andover, were among 200 Department of Revenue (DOR) employees recognized for outstanding service at the Governor's Annual Pride in Performance Award Program held recently in Boston.

Ms. Clark was recognized for participating on the Legislative Team, which was instrumental in the passage of the most comprehensive child support enforcement bill in the nation.

On Jan. 13, Gov. Weld signed into law legislation that streamlines DOR's ability to levy bank accounts

of delinquent child support obligors, makes failure to pay child support a felony and sets up procedures to encourage paternity acknowledgment. This legislation was the result of endless hours of research analysis and drafting by Legislative Team members, according to the DOR.

Ms. Hochman was recognized for playing a key role in the department's effort to automate a number of audit programs. Last year the department began the automation of "CP22000" audits, simple line items mistakes detected in Massachusetts federal tax returns. By creating a

complex computer program to do part of the work, the automated audit team was able to cut its costs by 68 percent.

Pride in Performance awards are given to public employees who make meaningful contributions that distinguish them from their peers, said a spokesperson from the DOR. These special awards focus attention on consistent, positive achievement by both individuals and teams who have demonstrated innovation and dedication in their work, concern for the public trust and a commitment to excellence.

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He Li on college staff

He Li of Andover is one of five new faculty members this fall at Merrimack College. The others are Radha Gargeya of Framingham, William J. Hofmann of Marblehead, Karen J. Kilty of Lexington and Daniel K. O'Brien of North Reading.

Mr. Li, a native of China, earned a doctorate at the University of Texas at Austin, a master's degree at the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences in Beijing, and a bachelor's degree at Hebei University in Baoding, China. He is teaching political science at Merrimack.

Mr. Li was a visiting assis-

tant professor at Weber State and Texas A&I universities, an instructor at Austin Community College and a research associate at the Institute of Latin American Studies at the University of Texas.

He also assisted in research projects at the institute and conducted research at the Chinese Academy of Social Science.

He was editor of the *US-Asia News*, a weekly newspaper, the author of the book *Sino-Latin American Economic Relations* published by Praeger and author of scholarly articles.

Regional lab hires new math specialist

The Regional Laboratory for Educational Improvement of the Northeast and Islands, which has headquarters at 300 Brickstone Square, has named Patricia Lewis Dulac of East Greenwich, R.I., to the position of mathematics specialist for The Regional Alliance for Mathematics and Science Education Reform.

The Regional Alliance is dedicated to improving mathematics and science education throughout New England, New York, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands as part of the U.S. Department of Education's Dwight D. Eisenhower Mathematics and Science Education Program.

Ms. Dulac, formerly with the Rhode Island Office of Higher Education, served as a member of the Rhode Island Statewide Action Team for The Regional Alliance. She played a key role in developing the Rhode Island Higher Education Alliance for Mathematics and Science, which receives funding and support from the Regional Alliance.

The Regional Alliance is co-directed by The College Board and The Regional Laboratory for Educational Improvement of the Northeast and Islands, one of 10 nationwide R&D laboratories authorized by Congress and sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education.

Linda Cutter attends realtors' national conference

Linda Cutter, CRP, CRS, GRI, LTG, of Andover attended the National Association of Realtors annual convention in Anaheim, Calif.,

in November. Ms. Cutter, an active member of the Women's Council Realtors, is Massachusetts Governor of WCR.

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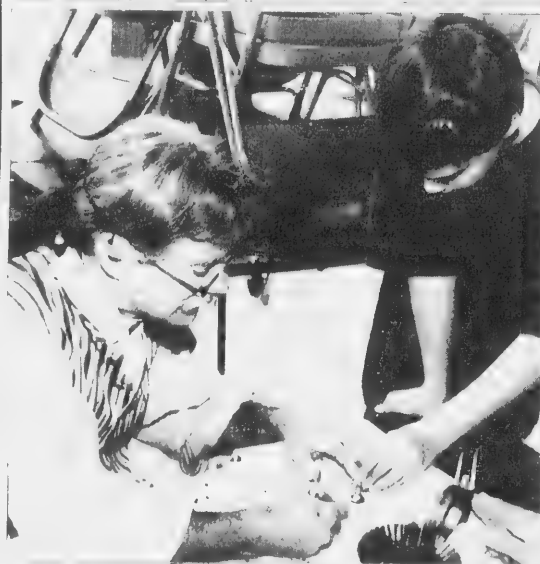
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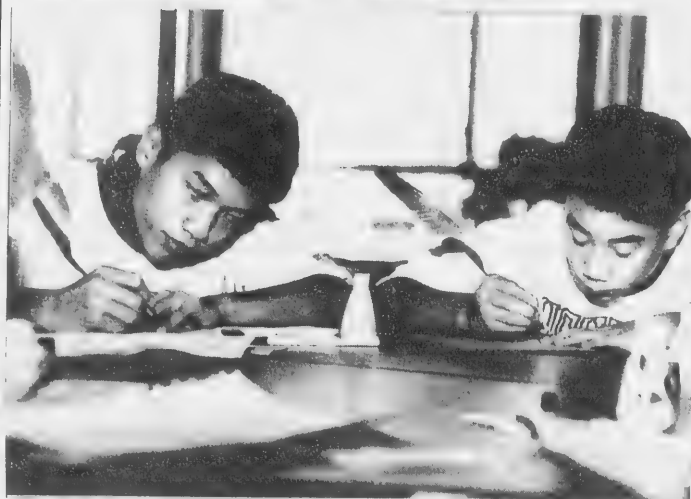


Bay Colony Educator Tim Greene shows Ben Schmidt how to seal his letter in the Colonial style. Colonial America is part of the students' curriculum this year at West Middle. The program also visited Sanborn and Bancroft schools this week, and will return to South and West Elementary schools in the spring. They visited Shawsheen Nov. 23.



Photos by Lisa Adelsberger

Carol Neville-Greene talks with eighth-graders at West Middle School, giving them an overview of everyday life in America.



Justin Yee and Terah Chan use hand-cut quill pens, ink pots and parchment paper, just like students in Colonial times did.



Jen Pinta tries her hand at putting beautiful flourishes on paper during the workshop on the art and style of letter-writing.



Carol Neville-Greene offers the opportunity to experience first-hand some of the day-to-day tasks done by children in early America. The presentation at West Middle School was followed by hands-on workshops.

Bay Colony Educators demonstrate Colonial living

The Bay Colony Educators program has begun visiting Andover schools, with presentations about everyday Colonial living and hands-on workshops. Dressed in authentic Colonial clothing, Carol Neville and Tim Greene emphasized how people struggled to survive with very few creature comforts. After the hour-and-a-half presentation, one student exclaimed, "This is the best thing I've ever seen."

Some West Middle students had made their own Colonial costumes to wear for the presentation. The girls wore dust bonnets and shawls and a few made an entire outfit. The boys

fashioned their own knickers and tights and "put their best foot forward" in a "courtesy" (curtsy). The enthusiasm and preparation of the students impressed Ms. Neville and Mr. Greene. "After one presentation, students stayed on through their lunch period to talk to us and look at the artifacts," said Ms. Neville. "We looked forward to coming back the next day for the workshop." The program has visited Shawsheen (grades K-2), Sanborn (grade 1-3), South (grade 2) and West Middle School (grade 8), and will return later in the year to West Elementary (grades 1-5), and



National Honor Society holds induction

The following Andover High students were inducted into the National Honor Society in a ceremony Wednesday, Nov. 30, at Old Town Hall. The inductees are: Alan Artenstein ('95), Susan Ashlock, Laura Burkle, Tamar Carroll, Erin Collins, Jessica Derby, Joel Elzweig, Johanna Gordon ('95), Jaime Greene, Gaurav Gupta ('95), Joshua Hatch, Julia Henderson, Patrick Hess, Michael Hough, Julie Jackson, John Jordan, Stacy Kangisser, Kristine Karpinski, Brian Kwon, Jay Levine, Diana Liberty, Andrea Marvin, Karin Mossack, Sonal Mukhi, Katherine Reilly ('95), Debra Sabbath, Richard Santagati, Michael Scarpulla, Gina Seibert, Patrick Sharkey, Cindy Su and Danielle Teves. Shown at left (in no particular order), they join current members Amy Baker, Jessica Banos, Paul Cassidy, Andrew Ewalt, J. Chris Fromme, Kathleen Harris, Allison Jenkins, Kristin Jenkins, Stacey Jenkins, Kathleen Karpinski, Naomi Kelts, Evan Koch, Jacqueline Lemaitre, Irena Mogilevich, Kristin Nieh, Hakyun Oh, Raheela Qureshi, Aaryn Schmuhl, Adam Schoen, Melissa Schroeder, Irene Shui, Maximillian Soong and Wen Shu Yu.

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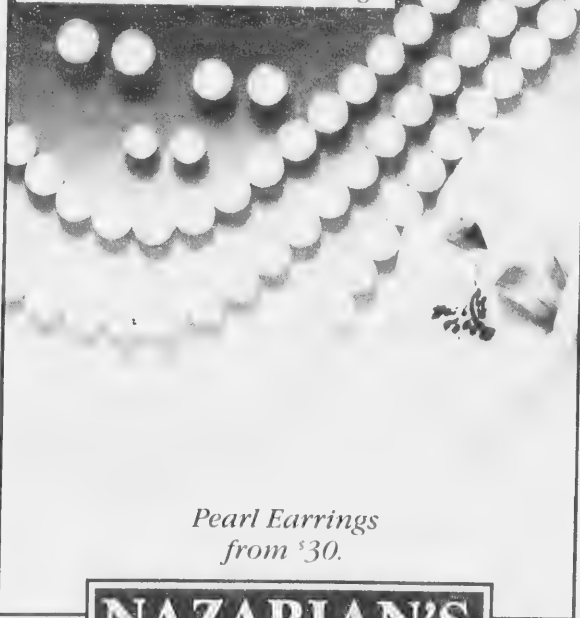
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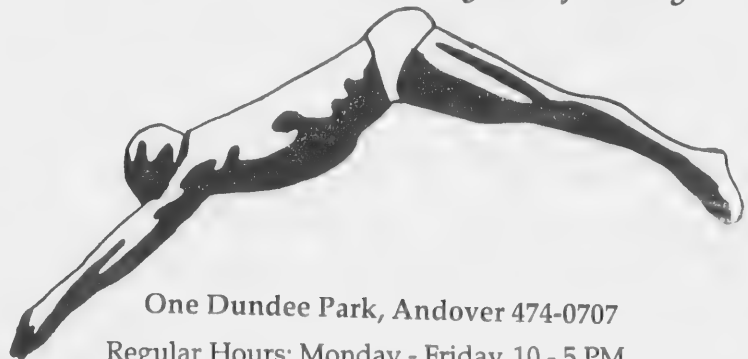
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Bancroft School held its Family Fun Science Festival recently. Here Mark Brickman stands beside his project, which was about electricity.



Mike Simari shows Charlene Bobek how Sprite, his parakeet, was trained to move through this maze in only four seconds.

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Lesley Bobek checks out Caeleigh Stuart-Arsenault's water samples, which included Bancroft School and Ponds. Caeleigh and her friend Stephanie Gallant tested a variety of water sources.



Chris Vining, a third-grader at Bancroft, simulated the action of a volcanic eruption for his science project, using hot water and food coloring.



Third-grader Leah Russell explained principles of electricity, and how it helps to make things easier in everyday life.

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Elementary schools

Monday: Hot dog on roll, mustard, relish, ketchup, carrot and celery sticks, fruit cup, milk or juice.

Tuesday: Chicken nuggets, whipped potato, gravy, sliced carrots, wheat bread and butter, cookie, milk or juice.

Wednesday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, wheat bread and butter, pudding with

whipped topping, milk or juice.

Thursday: Taco boat with ground beef, lettuce, tomato and cheese, corn, fudge brownie, milk or juice.

Friday: Tuna salad in Syrian pocket, potato puffs, ketchup, peas, fresh apple, milk or juice.

A pizza or peanut butter and jelly lunch is available

daily.

Middle schools

Monday: Hot dog on roll, mustard, relish, ketchup, wax beans, fruit cup, milk.

Tuesday: Chicken cutlet on roll, potato puffs, ketchup, green beans, cookie, milk.

Wednesday: Meatball sub with tomato sauce, corn, potato sticks, fruited

Jell-O with whipped topping, milk.

Thursday: Nachos with cheese sauce, rice, sliced carrots, cake with frosting, milk.

Friday: Tuna sal-

ad roll, peas, potato chips, chilled peaches, milk.

A pizza lunch or manager's special is available daily.

All menus subject to change.

Pike School's Middle School Chorus to sing

The Middle School Chorus from Pike School, under the direction of music teacher Carolyn Taylor, will sing in a concert at Pike on Wednesday, Dec. 14, at 7 p.m. The concert is open to the public.

The group is made up of students in grades 3, 4 and 5.

Music instruction at Pike begins in pre-kindergarten and continues through grade 9.

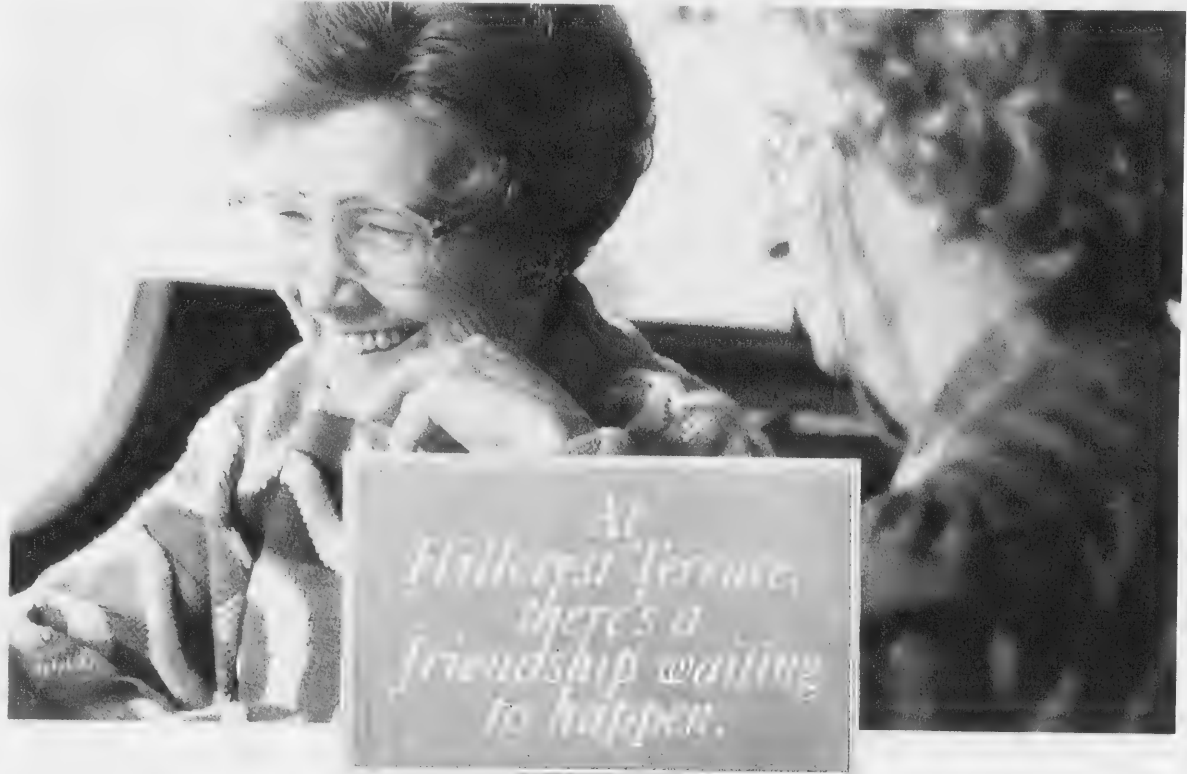
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Students fixed up the playground at West Elementary School recently, organized by West's Student Council and PTO. In keeping with the school-wide theme of "Reason, Respect and Responsibility," different sections of the playground were marked off and "adopted" by the six grades at the school. Each grade (K-5) is now responsible for its upkeep. In front are Laura Schoenherr, grade 3, and Jessica Taylor, grade 6. In the center are Susan Taylor, PTO president, and Katie Kail, grade 4. Standing are Michael Gibson, grade 3, and Natasha Pakravan, grade 3.



Measuring and lining part of the playground are (from left): Brent Hyde, Timmy Davenport, Cory Rillahan, physical education teacher Louise Rozzi, and Meghan Toland. They worked together to make areas for hopscotch and four-square, as well as other games.

Local author Jeffrey Kelly tells West Elementary students stories – about writing stories

Author Jeffrey Kelly of Chestnut Street visited fourth- and fifth-grade students at West Elementary School last week and told amusing anecdotes from his childhood. He showed how he wove these events into his books. His discussion reinforced the emphasis of West Elementary's process-writing program on writing about everyday, personal experiences.

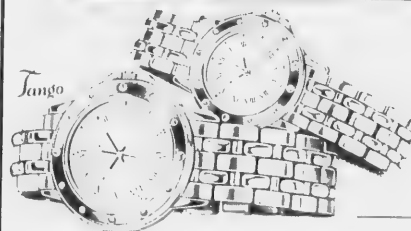
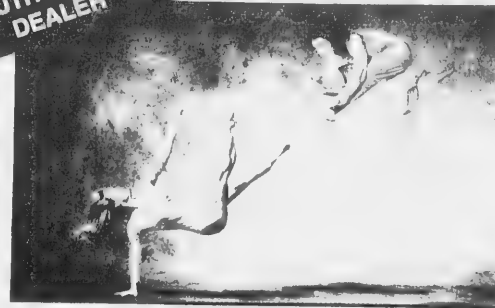
Mr. Kelly brought samples of his handwritten first drafts, complete with sloppy penmanship and lots of cross-outs, and then showed revisions and proof sheets from the editors for his books.

He also talked about getting advance checks and royalties from publishers "a topic of particular interest to many students," organizers said.

Mr. Kelly has published two children's books, *The Basement Baseball Club* and *Tramp Steamer and the Silver Bullet*, with two more books due to be published next year. He also contributes to *The Boston Globe*, including an article last year on the closing of Ford's Coffee Shop. Mr. Kelly's visit was funded by West Elementary PTO and organized by cultural events coordinators Chris Holzwarth and Leslie Malis.

The deadline for school news & info for the next issue is Friday, Dec. 9, at 5 p.m.

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Andover High School announces first-quarter honor, effort rolls

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Grade 9

High honors: Daniel Barch, Aron Bellorato, Eliza Bobek, Rachel Brodie, Michael Burton, Kathleen Busby, Lauren Chabot, Abbie Daniel, Julie Flynn, Amy Henderson, Peter Hill, Charles Jordan, Elizabeth Kelley, Kaitlin Kessler, Julie Litzenger, Lauren Mallen, Zachary Martin, Jennifer Powers, Lauren Roda, Jeffrey Rogers, Douglas Shahian, Amy Shui, Sara Tully, Lisabeth Willey, Emily Wilner, Nicole Winters, Roger Yeh.

Honors: Meredith Affleck, Elizabeth Anderson, Kate Ardini, Jonathan Aronson, Christopher Ataide, Matthew Aufiero, Michael Aufiero, Samantha

Aufiero, Erin Baggeroer, Kyung Duk Bang, Courtney Barron, John Bauser, Jeremy Bergeson, Christina Birrell, Jennifer Blongiewicz, Nicole Boliger, Shannon Breen, Scott Brodsky, Andrea Buonaugurio, Karen Burke, David Byers, Brooke Callanan, Brendan Campbell, Andrea Cerniglia, David Chapin, Catherine Chen, Stephanie Ciampa, Allana Clarke, Suzanne Clarke, Rebecca Colgate, Ethan Collings, Barbara Contos, Elizabeth Cook, Matthew Cox, Steven Crossley, Erin Croteau, Jeffrey Cutler, Marc D'Agostino, Suzanne Dalby, Jeffrey Danis, Robert F. Demers, Christopher Desjardins, Meghan Doyle, Megan Fitzgerald, Erin Fitzpatrick, Lee Anne Fitzsimmons, Kristen Foley, Michael Fraser, Janna Friedman, Chintan Gandhi, Benjamin Gibson, Megan

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High honors: Julie Ahern, Christina Arcidy, Papri Bhattacharya, Erich Birkby, Melanie Burke, Beth Carriere, Robert Cronan,

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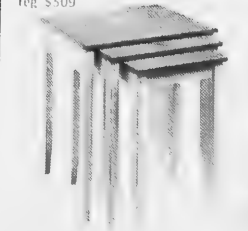


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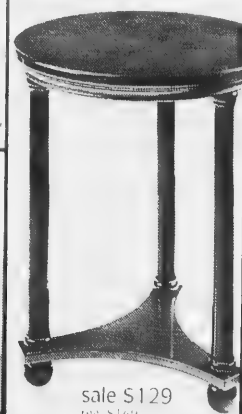
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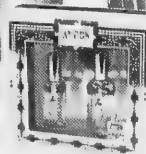
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Bay Colony Educators demonstrate Colonial living

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grades 4 and 5 at Sanborn and South. Grants from Marshalls and the Andona Society help fund the program at the five elementary schools.



Tim Greene shoots blanks from a Brown Besse musket. Letter Writing," gave students a chance to use their knowledge in an innovative way.

Before the workshop, they drafted a letter

in which they pretended to be a Colonial person writing to a contemporary. Some wrote to such notables as Paul Revere or George Washington, discussing the events of the Revolutionary War. Others wrote home to their families in England, describing life and politics in the Colonies.

Using a curriculum guide furnished by Bay Colony, they followed the format of letters of the day.

They learned that, in an age where letters were the only means of contact between people separated by distance, the written word held enormous importance. Students were amused that Colonial people cared a great

deal about the style of handwriting, but had no rules for grammar and spelling. At the workshop, they used hand-cut quill pens and pots of ink made from berries to copy their letter in their "best hand."

Students tried to perfect the beautiful flourishes that were

the sign of good breeding in Colonial days, carefully blotting their ink to avoid smudges. Mr. Greene then sealed their manuscripts with wax.

Many students decided to buy their own quill pen and ink pot, so that they can continue to practice their new skills.

Montessori school plans 20th reunion

The Andover School of Montessori will celebrate its 20th anniversary in 1995. ASM will celebrate its methods of education through an open house, a

weekend celebration and an alumni reunion.

Alumni, former board members, parents and staff members can call the school at 688-1086.

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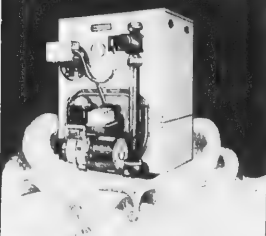
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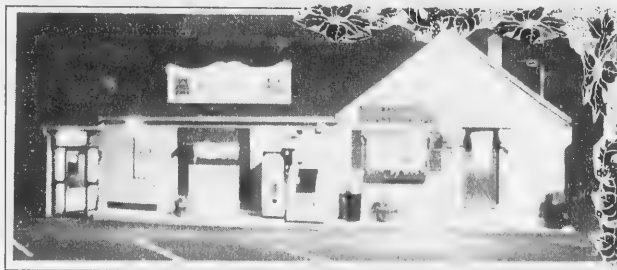
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SCHOOLTALK

South School students care and share. The Community Services Group of South School Student Council organized a food drive for Neighbors in Need for Thanksgiving. Students in third-, fourth-, and fifth-grades made posters and flyers. Children helped their parents select food and were overwhelmed to see how quickly the table they set in the foyer became full. They had to start stacking food on the floor.

Reflecting upon the food drive, Natalie Ho, a fifth-grader, wrote, "It feels good to get, but even better to give." Russell Stevens, a fourth-grader, said, "When I sat at the table I remembered the food that I gave to the people who needed more than me, I felt like I did something good - I shared." Kristen Jackson wrote, "I like to share because I feel good about sharing. It makes me feel I am doing the right thing."

Weekly computer classes will be offered for children from preschool through middle school, and for adults, starting Monday, Dec. 12, at Futurekids, Olde Andover Village, 93 Main St. Topics will include age-appropriate educational themes to enhance readiness and academic skills, keyboarding classes, Microsoft Works and more. Lego/Logo mini-camps will be offered during December and February school vacations.

The annual sleepover at the Computer Museum in Boston is scheduled for Feb. 4. In addition to small group classes, private classes and home consultations are available for the Mac or PC. For more information, call Futurekids at 470-3850.

The West Middle School PAC meeting Tuesday, Dec. 13, will be a pot-luck social event for parents and teachers, with a short business discussion about helping to sponsor an all-school speaking engagement. Call Carol Rocca at 687-1796 about bringing a main

course, salad or dessert.

The West Middle School Student Council and yearbook staff will hold a holiday dance Friday, Dec. 16, from 7 to 10 p.m. All West Middle students are invited. Students who bring a new, unwrapped toy to be donated to Toys for Tots will be admitted free of charge. Those without a gift will pay a \$5 cover charge.

A busload of Andover High School students ventured into Boston on Saturday, Nov. 19, to show their support by joining 6,000 people in the fight against AIDS. Valerie Parker, AHS student and Dance-a-thon team co-captain, reports that upon entering Hynes Convention Center, students were hailed by cheering AIDS Action Committee members and volunteers. After the opening ceremony, two young adults took the stage to speak about their HIV status. When the young man and woman had finished their speeches, they joined hands and shouted, "Welcome to the sixth annual AIDS Dance-a-thon." This set off 6,000 cheering dancers, along with some booming bass-filled music. "The feeling of power and positivity was enough to send chills down your spine," Ms. Parker said.

Overall, the Dance-a-thon raised more than \$500,000. The Andover High team reached its goal, raising more than \$2,500. The top three dancers with the most pledges were Catherine Dimitroff with \$238.90, Kiran Raman with \$170 and Christine Kenney with \$160. The other co-captain was Sarah Weir, assisted by Jen Peck. The chaperones were J. Darrin and Bill Fahey.

Doherty and West middle schools have been selected to participate in a new, innovative geography education program sponsored by Dunkin' Donuts franchise owners.

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Correction

The Andona Society graduated more than 80 students from Andover and North Andover in its recent babysitting course. The Andover graduates' names were published in last week's issue [Dec. 1, page 16]. Andona has supplied the names of four graduates not on its original list. They are: Jenny Ambro, Shannon Gillis, Sean MacKay and Bethany Upton.

Families looking for qualified babysitters can get a complete list from DCS or Memorial Hall Library, organizers said.



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◀ Kelly Furlong, 7, and Pam Devellis make a bridge for Rachael Lahey. Merchants stayed open later than usual, and many offered refreshments.

Photos by Lisa Adelsberger



The Confetti Kids performed at Old Town Hall during the Andover Center Association's open house Friday night. Their performance helped give the evening a holiday spirit.



The New Liberty Jazz Band entertained young and old on the sidewalk outside Royal Jewelers. [See related story on page 2.]



Alex Commito, 2, has the best seat in the house.



Claire Shapiro, her sister Julia, and Penelope Jones watch the Confetti Kids perform. Claire is 5, and Julia and Penelope are nearly 3.

7 Russians spent a semester at Phillips Academy

By Joan Brown

Cold December winds whip through Phillips Academy as students hurry along the twisting pathways to their last classes before the Christmas break. Upstairs in Samuel Phillips Hall, as instructor Olga Nostousova prepares for class, her students are filing into the room chatting in fluent Russian. All of the students are looking forward to returning home, but seven of them have a bit farther to go than the others; they will be returning to their homes in Russia.

Since September, seven of Ms. Nostousova's Phillips Academy students have been studying in Russia, exchanging places with seven students from the Mathematics-Physics School in Novosibirsk, Siberia. The Russians, three girls and four boys, come from all regions of their country. One grew up in Siberia, another in Moscow, a third is from within the Arctic Circle, another so far that the Math-Phys school is 10 hours away by plane.

Phillips Academy has maintained an exchange program with the Math-Phys school since 1986, with the first exchange occurring in 1987. Seven students and a faculty adviser change places for one semester each academic year. Victor Svec, chairman of the Russian Department and director of the Russian Exchange Program, has been very pleased with this year's Russian students.

"I've almost not seen this group. They've been able to solve their own problems ... and are very independent."

The increased maturity and independence of the students is probably tied into the changes that have taken place in eastern Europe during the past three years, noted Professor Svec. As

less control is exerted over the students, they become more able and more secure in making their own decisions.

The Russian students are the best and brightest in their fields. Students from throughout Russia entered competitions organized by the scientific community in mathematics, physics, chemistry or biology. The brightest in each specific field are chosen for the Math-Phys school, and the brightest of these enter the exchange program.

Assigned host families and living in the Phillips Academy dormitories, the students' immersion into the Andover community has given them an incomparable understanding of our culture, according to their advisers. For the most part, they say they have enjoyed their time at Phillips Academy, learning about daily life in America, enjoying the holidays with their host families, and even catching a little MTV with their friends.

The students are, of course, just that: students, aged 16 and 17, who have been thousands of miles from home for nearly four months. Homesickness is beginning to affect several of the students, yet they still eagerly look toward their trip to Washington, D.C., after final exams this week.

The students were accompanied here by Math-Phys school principal Evgeny Bishenkov and his wife, Illa. The Bishenkovs reside on the campus grounds, living in a one-bedroom apartment at Stuart House. Spartan by western standards, the apartment is impeccably clean, and the Bishenkovs are most gracious hosts to visitors.

"It is compulsory for us to learn the significant aspects of the town," says Prof. Bishenkov, adding that the Townsman has been helpful in their study of life in Andover.




Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Phillips Academy students taking Russian and the exchange students from Russia and their teachers and advisers pose for a photo. Seated on the floor, from left, are Eddy Saffiullin (Russian) and Sergey Samoilenko (Russian). In the second row, from left, are Natalie Guseva (Russian), Irina Starikova (Russian) Maria Pulzetti (Phillips student), Julia Kim (Phillips) and Natasha Abdina (Russian). In the third row, standing from left, are Oglia Nostousova (instructor), Illa Bichenkov (wife of the Russian adviser), Tim McGovern (Phillips), Kathy Blanton (Phillips), Dmitrii Tulupov (Russian) and Evgeny Bichenkov (Russian adviser).


Prof. Bishenkov speaks of his "biggest pleasure," which came one day as he was working in the Phillips Academy library. Back in 1967, the Math-Phys school was still very experimental, a specialized institution that went against rigid Soviet educational practices that resisted any sort of differing

education among students. Prof. Bishenkov, then the school's 30-year-old principal, was featured in a Life magazine article on the school.

"I work here in library," says Prof. Bishenkov, "and I saw American Life maga-



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Adviser to the Russian students, Evgeny Bichenkov, and his wife, Illa, live in Stuart House while at Phillips Academy for the fall semester.

Russian students . . .

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zine. My picture was there. From almost 30 years ago, I saw it for the first time."

The Russians leave tomorrow for Dulles Airport and their tour of the nation's capital. The Phillips Academy students currently in Russia, Catherine Osgood, Melina Kirsch, Galin McNamar, Lisa Pierog, Lisa Lar-

son, David Engel and Andover native Matthew Goldstein, son of Gary and Janice Goldstein of Woodhaven Drive, will be returning along with their faculty adviser, Rebecca Cullen, daughter of Neil and Elizabeth Cullen of Andover, on Wednesday, Dec. 14.

Joan Brown is an intern with the *Townsman*.

Group talks about the dangers of trash incineration

At the November meeting of the Lawrence Environmental Action Group (LEAG), the membership decided to move ahead with its campaign to educate the community about the risks of trash incineration and the benefits of recycling.

LEAG's steering committee reported that the education efforts of the past six months have produced positive results. Projects of the group have included public presentations, film showings more. The committee says opposition to increased trash incineration in the Merrimack Valley is growing. Specifically, LEAG opposes Ogden-Martin's

preliminary proposal to build a new incinerator at Riverwalk (Lawrence) or to increase the burning of trash at its Haverhill site.

The membership agreed that the recent announcement by Ogden-Martin's Senior Vice President, John S. Shortleeve, to put the company's plans for Riverwalk on hold until 1997 will not affect LEAG's continuing endeavors to educate Greater Lawrence residents. According to the updated Massachusetts Solid Waste Master Plan, the three local incinerators (Lawrence/Haverhill/North Andover) now burn 41 of the state's trash.

NEWS CALENDAR

THURSDAY, DEC. 8

Merrimack Valley YMCA 115th annual meeting, Bishop's Restaurant, 99 Hampshire St., Lawrence. 7:30 a.m., breakfast; Georgetown Watson, executive director of the Governor's Alliance Against Drugs, to speak on drug prevention. Call the YMCA corporate office at 975-1330 for further information.

Sanborn School Council, 4 to 5:30 p.m., Sanborn School, room 8.

School Building Committee, 7 p.m., third floor, town offices.

MONDAY, DEC. 12

Board of Selectmen, 7:30 p.m., school administration building, Whittier Court; on the agenda: new plans for Rec Park.

School Committee, 7:30 p.m., joint meeting, second floor, school administration building.

TUESDAY, DEC. 13

School Committee, 7:30 p.m., curriculum workshop, third floor, school administration

building.

Planning Board, 7:30 p.m., third floor, town offices.

Historical Commission, 6:30 p.m., second floor, town offices.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 14

West Elementary School Improvement Council, 4 p.m., West Elementary school, room B-13.

Andover Technology Committee, 7 p.m., second floor, school administration building.

League of Women Voters of Andover/North Andover, potluck supper, 6 p.m., Susan Jenkins' house, 15 West Parish Drive; on the agenda: give input to the state League program for the next two years and review current League positions. Meeting open to the public. Call Ms. Jenkins at 475-4111 for further information.

UPCOMING

MONDAY, DEC. 19

Board of Selectmen, 7:30 p.m., town offices.

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HOLIDAY HELP

Local Boy Scouts are participating in the 7th annual **Scouting for Food** drive to benefit local food banks. Scouts delivered special bags to households throughout the Council area Saturday, Dec. 3, for donations of non-perishable foods.

Scouts will return to collect the bags Saturday, Dec. 10. Bags should be left outside the front door before 9 a.m.

The Andover office of **DeWolfe New England** is continuing its "Spirit of Giving" Food Drive during the Christmas holiday season. Non-perishable food stuffs such as cake mixes, canned goods, pie fillings, pasta products, and tuna are sought for dinner baskets, as well as to stock the **Lazarus House Food Pantry**. Donations should be brought to DeWolfe New England, 76 Main St., or call 475-8600.

Hunneman & Co.-Coldwell Banker has announced that **UNICEF** holiday greeting cards are being sold in its Andover office, which is located at 6 Park St. All pro-

ceeds will benefit the United Children's Fund (UNICEF), a world-wide organization that works with governments and communities to help provide a brighter future for children around the world.

Bank of Boston's Andover branch is also offering **UNICEF** holiday greeting cards at its 20 Central St. location.

Available from Dec. 18 to Dec. 30, the **Holiday Hospitality Program** is offered by 25 full-service **Marriott Hotels**, Residence Inns, Fairfield Inns, and Courtyard hotels in northern New England. The Andover Marriott and Andover Marriott Courtyard are offering guest rooms to families of patients at Exeter Health Care, Exeter Hospital; additionally, the Andover Marriott is providing rooms for families of patients at Northeast Rehab. For more information, call (617) 932-3636, Ext. 258.

Shawmut Bank is sponsoring a **Holiday Food Drive** to benefit the Women's

Resource Center and Supportive Care Inc. Donations of non-perishable foods are being collected at the following Shawmut Bank Andover locations: Shawsheen Plaza and 68 Main St.; and in North Andover: Route 114 and 149 Main St.

The **Franciscan Center**, 459 River Road, will offer **Preparing the Heart to Receive**, an Advent experience of promise, hope, preparation and anticipation, tomorrow, Friday, Dec. 9, from 7 to 9:30 p.m. The program is free; donations for the food pantry are optional. Call 851-3391 for information and reservations.

Waldenbooks stores throughout Massachusetts will host a book sale to benefit the **Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children** this Saturday, Dec. 10. Waldenbooks will donate 20 percent of the amount of all purchases made from store opening until 1 p.m. to the MSPCC. The Andover Waldenbooks store is located at 33 Main St.

Pet photos with Santa will be taken on Sunday, Dec. 11, at **Dawg City**, 38 Pearson St., from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. A donation of \$7 is requested to benefit the **Massachusetts Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals** and the **Lowell Humane Society**. Dogs must be on a leash; cats and small animals should be in a pet carrier.

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Congregation Tifereth celebrates ground-breaking

◀ Congregation Tifereth Israel, at 501 S. Main St., gathered at a ground-breaking ceremony Sunday for the start of improvements to its new site. Construction began Monday and will be completed in mid-January, a spokesman said. Improvements will involve the building of a chapel, designed to meet the weekend worship needs of the congregation. The garage and an existing room will be combined and given a raised ceiling. The building will meet all codes and specifications, including having handicapped-access. Later in the spring, a ceremonial march of the Torah Scrolls from the old location to this new location will commemorate the 100-year-old congregation's permanent move to 501 South Main St. The site has more than three acres of land, allowing for future expansion.

Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Community groups submitting news to the *Townsmen* may send for the free brochure 'How to write a press release,' available from the paper. Send a self-addressed stamped envelope to the *Townsmen*, 33 Chestnut St., Andover Mass. 01810.



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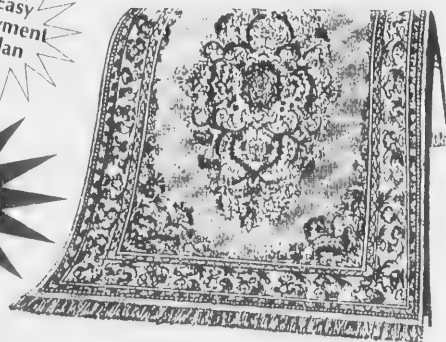
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SOCIAL NOTEBOOK

The **Andover Historical Society** presents new displays and invites the public to its traditional **Holiday Open House** Saturday, Dec. 10, between 2 and 4 p.m. Though Andover's historical museum may be in the old Amos Blanchard house and barn, it promises to be bustling with new sights and enjoyment.

Under the leadership of Genevieve Bourchard and Effie Torrisi, the Andover Carpentier Club decorated the museum's period rooms for this festive season.

Homemade refreshments will be provided by "kids interested in something different." Anna Radocchia, Jessica Ellis, Katie Cole and Beinbinn O'Donoghue plan to "bake up a storm." They often use the museum for their meeting place, organizers said.

Two other exhibits recently installed are "Gothic Revival: The Only Proper Style" and "Costumes from the Collection: New Year's Eve, 1945."

Open hours at 97 Main St. are Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Wednesday evenings until 8:30.

The **Andover Community Theatre** will hold auditions for three one-act plays on Tuesday and Thursday, Dec. 13 and 15, at 7 p.m. in the **West Elementary School** auditorium.

Roles will be available for several male and female adults of varying ages, as well as two teen-agers - a 15-year-old girl and a 13-year-old boy.

The plays will be performed Sunday, Feb. 12, at **Memorial Hall Library**. Rehearsals will

begin after the holidays.

Casting for all pieces will be done at once. The plays include *The Happy Journey to Camden and Trenton* by Thornton Wilder, and an adaptation of the comedic play-words, *Who's on First*. The third piece will be selected from a number of prospective plays after the auditions.

Actors and actresses may prepare a short monologue or audition by reading. For more information, call 474-1014.

The **Appalachian Mountain Club's Andover Committee** announced that Sunday, Dec. 11, is the date for a three-mile hike along Harold Parker/Skug River trail. The walk along varied terrain will include a visit to an 18th-century mill site. Meet at 1:30 p.m. at the parking lot across from the state police barracks on Route 125, 1/4 mile north of the Route 28 intersection. Leader is Martin Wells. Call 470-3189.

The Excellence in Photography award was presented to fine art photographer **Angela Caiati** at the 1994 North Suburban Art Exhibit held Nov. 4-6 in Wakefield.

The 33rd anniversary of the North Suburban Art Exhibit was one of the region's largest annual showings of paintings, photography, sculpture and other media. Each year, the original work of local artists are showcased.

Ms. Caiati is a member of the Andovers Artists Guild and Printmaker's Guild. She has exhibited her photographs locally and in New York. Her most recent exhibit was held

during March in Boxford. She will exhibit at the North Reading Library in January.

Ms. Caiati lives in Andover with her husband, Vito.

Quota International of Andover recently held a reception for prospective members at the **Lanam Club**. Quota International is a non-profit, non-partisan, non-sectarian organization of business executives and professionals dedicated in service to those who need help.

Quota International links its 12,000 members of all ages, occupations and nationalities in a world-wide network of service and friendship.

On the local level, Quota provides "Hearing Is Priceless" education in schools, helps maintain a safe house for battered women and provides sonovation units for needy children.

For more information about membership or activities, contact Eileen Holzman, Andover Quota Club, P. O. Box 221, Andover, Mass. 01810.

Silverado Athletic Club hosted the first annual Mt. Pasta Celebration last month to benefit the **Lazarus House Ministries** of Lawrence.

Members of Silverado took part in a six-week cross-training program to help raise \$1,000 for the ministry. More than 100 women took part in the program as they aerobized, weight-trained and stretched their way up the imaginary "Mt. Pasta" located in the fitness area of the club.

"The program was a won-



Andover resident Kim T. Carpentier (right), treasurer of Business Equipment Depot, and 1995 Massachusetts Easter Seal Child Angela Marchese, share a smile after his election to the House of Delegates of the Massachusetts Easter Seal Society. Easter Seals provides services to 14,000 adults and children with disabilities in communities all across Massachusetts.

derful experience for all involved due to the combined efforts of the co-sponsors," organizers said.

Bridget Shaheen from Lazarus House Ministries spoke about what the ministry does for the Merrimack Valley people and how the \$1,000

donation would be put to use during the holiday season.

Evelyn M. Finnegan, author of *My Little Friend Goes to a Baseball Game*, will sign books at **Waldenbooks**, 33 Main St., Sunday, Dec. 18, from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

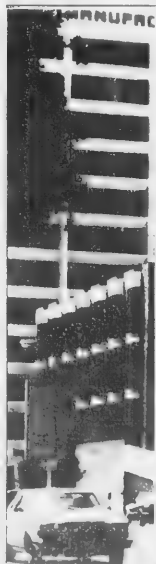
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RELIGION NEWS

Lessons and Carols service is Sunday

The Parish of Christ Church will commemorate the Advent season with a service of Lessons and Carols Sunday, Dec. 11, at 4 p.m. A tea and crumpet reception will follow in the parish hall. Andover and surrounding communities are invited to the ecumenical service, which will involve clergy from Andover area churches. The Parish Choir of Christ Church and the 50-voice Bradford-Pentucket Chorale, both under the direction of Mark Peterson, will lead the sung portions of the service - yuletide works by Bach, Brahms, Palestrina, McK. Williams and others, accompanied by local organist Susan Armstrong-Ouellette.

"This ecumenical event is a long-time Andover tradition, which features Advent carols and anthems interspersed between readings by clergy from many Andover churches," said Mr. Peterson, director of music at Christ Church and associate professor of music at

Bradford College in Haverhill.

The offering from the service will be contributed to the Andover Youth Council.

Lessons and Carols services are copies of the famous service held annually, since 1918, at King's College, Cambridge, England. The origin of the service dates to the reign of King Henry VI of England in the mid-15th century, when the Lessons and Carols service was first used to symbolize the good will of town-and-gown relationships with the students at Eton. The current format was created by the Bishop of Truro, England, for use in his cathedral, and shortly after modified

for King's. Since then the basic concept has been used for various seasons of the year where carols, hymns and songs can be correlated with scriptural passages and other readings.

The lessons for Advent are full of prophecy from Hebrew scripture. Christ Church's ecumenical service draws from the books of Isaiah, Micah and Zephaniah. As the readings progress to the birth of Jesus, two selections are taken from the gospels of Luke and Matthew. Advent hymns and carols which reflect the subject matter are interspersed between each reading. With the leadership of the parish choir and

chorale, the congregation will have the opportunity to sing pieces of music from the Episcopal hymnal, a hymn collection rich in Advent texts.

The Rev. James A. Diamond, rector of Christ Church, will be the officiant. The lectors presenting readings are the Rev. Susan Morrison of Ballardvale United Church; the Rev. Joseph LaDu of West Parish Church; the Rev. Cal Mutti and the Rev. Kathy Musser, both of South Church; the Rev. Peter Richardson of Unitarian-Universalist Church; the Rev. Arthur Driscoll of St. Robert Bellarmine Church; and the Rev. Donald Woodward

Special events mark Christmas celebration at Andover Baptist Church

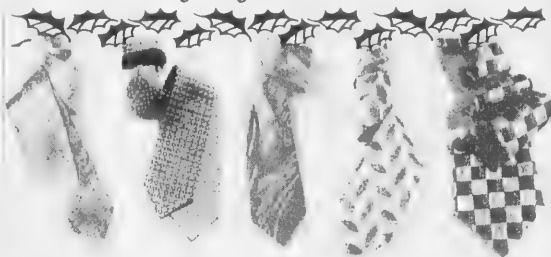
On Sunday, Dec. 11, at 10:45 a.m. the Sunday School of Andover Baptist Church, at 7 Central St., will present a pageant entitled, "Christmas Around The World." This look at the customs of many lands that celebrate Christ's birth is filled with music and activity involving children and adults. A light lunch and birthday cake to honor Jesus' birth will be shared after the service.

On Sunday, Dec. 18, at 10:45 a.m., the choir will sing the Cantata, *Promise of Peace*, arranged by Joseph Linn. The

narrated musicale includes traditional carols and contemporary praise songs that proclaim the "Good News" of God's love and eternal promises.

On Saturday, Dec. 24, at 7:30 p.m., a traditional candlelight service will be held at Andover Baptist Church. The service will tell the story in a simple but effective way, blending scripture readings, special music and carols. This event is offered free to the public as a way of calling attention to the real meaning of the Christmas holiday.

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OBITUARIES

William H. Logan

Was counselor at Turning Point

William H. Logan, 54, of 9 Brechin Terrace died Wednesday, Nov. 30, at his home.

Mr. Logan was born in Birmingham, Ala. He attended parochial schools, including the John Carroll High School in Birmingham, and graduated from Bessener Technical College.

He had lived in the Lawrence-Andover area for 20 years.

He had taken courses at Northern Essex Community College and was taking courses at home from LaSalle University toward his bachelor's degree.

Mr. Logan worked in the mental health field and was a counselor for Turning Point at a residence in Middleton. He formerly worked at CLASS Inc. in Lawrence.

Members of his family include his wife, Lorraine Hartford-Logan of Andover; sons, Christopher W. Logan and David A. Forzese, both of Andover; daughter, Melanie L. Forzese of Andover; mother, Margaret L. (Blankenship) Logan of Birmingham; brother and sister-in-law, Lawrence and Sharon Logan of Birmingham; and several nieces and nephews.

He was also the son of the late William Logan.

Funeral services were held Saturday at H.L. Farmer & Sons Funeral Home in Haverhill. Burial was in Spring Grove Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Lazarus House, 48 Holly St., Lawrence, Mass. 01840.

Alex Athanas

Was a founder of CLASS

Alex Athanas, 66, of Andover died Wednesday, Nov. 30, at Lawrence

General Hospital.

Mr. Athanas was born in Lowell. He attended Lowell schools and was a starter on the Lowell High School football team.

He graduated from Dartmouth College, where he was a lineman and starter on the varsity football team. He received a master's degree in business administration from Tuck Business School at Dartmouth.

Mr. Athanas served in the Army during World War II and the Korean Conflict.

He recently retired from General Electric Co., where he had been an executive at the Lynn and Fitchburg plants as well as facilities in Utica and Schenectady, N.Y.

Mr. Athanas was a member of Hellenic Orthodox Church of the Holy Trinity in Lowell and Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church in Andover and a member of the AHEPA Chapter in Utica, N.Y.

He was one of the founding members and past president of CLASS Inc. in Lawrence.

Members of his family include his daughters, Anne Athanas of Andover, and Paula Corcoran and her husband, Bruce Corcoran of Dracut; son, Thomas Athanas of Andover; sisters and brothers-in-law, Stella and George Kouloheras of Lowell, Rena and Aristedes Coravo of Dracut, Helen and James Sveovares of Nashua, N.H., and Martha and Joseph Stafford of Fort Walton Beach, Fla.; brother and sister-in-law, Charles and Frances Athanas of Dracut; sister-in-law, Annette Athanas of Hollywood, Fla.; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, James and Pauline Miamis of Dracut; and many nieces and nephews.

He was the husband of the late Tula (Miamis) Athanas, who died in May 1991, and brother of the late Arthur Athanas of Montreal, Canada.

Funeral services were held Saturday at Hellenic Orthodox Church of the Holy Trinity in Lowell. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery in North Tewksbury.

Arrangements were by O'Donnell Funeral Home in Lowell.

Memorial contributions may be made to CLASS Inc., 1 Parker St., Lawrence, Mass. 01843.

Hilda M. Carnevale

Retired from IRS

Hilda M. (Donovan) Carnevale, 83, of 46 Lowell St. died Friday, Dec. 2, at Holy Family Hospital in Methuen.

Mrs. Carnevale was born in Lawrence.

She worked at the Internal Revenue Service for 20 years until she retired.

She attended St. Augustine Church.

Members of her family include her husband, William F. Carnevale of Andover; and several nieces and nephews.

A Mass was celebrated Tuesday in St. Augustine Church. Burial was in West Parish Cemetery.

Arrangements were by Burke Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 14 Loon Hill Road, Dracut, Mass. 01826.

David E. Norris Sr.

Formerly of Andover

David E. Norris Sr., 63, of North Fort Myers, Fla., died Tuesday, Nov. 29.

Mr. Norris was born in Brockton and graduated from Brockton High School.

He lived in Reading from 1958 to 1968 and had lived in Andover, North Andover and Salem, N.H., before

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moving to Florida in 1960.

He served with the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict.

Mr. Norris ran a climatic testing laboratory at AVCO in Wilmington for 30 years before he retired.

He was a former member of Andover Baptist Church.

Members of his family include his wife, Irene (Wallace) Norris of North Fort Myers.

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OBITUARIES

David E. Norris Sr.

Fla.; sons, Dana E. Norris and his wife, Marie Norris, of Raymond, N.H., and David E. Norris Jr. of Lawrence; daughter and son-in-law, Lisa and Jerry Marchant of Nashua, N.H.; stepdaughters and their husbands, Kathleen and Cary Brown of Florida and Patricia and Robert Schiller of Salem, N.H.; stepson, Thomas Wallace of Lawrence; sister, Virginia Lovering of East Bridgewater; nine grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

He was also the widower of Lois E. (Johnson) Norris.

A private funeral service and burial took place in Florida on Friday.

Marion L. Fitzgerald Was vaudeville performer, postal worker

Marion L. Fitzgerald of 23 Grandview Terrace died Thursday, Dec. 1, at Deaconess Hospital in Boston.

Mrs. Fitzgerald was born in Roxbury and was formerly of Brighton.

Mrs. Fitzgerald and her husband performed vaudeville across the country from 1927 to 1947 under the name of Fitz and Carol. They served with the USO throughout Europe and the Pacific during World War II and performed for the American troops in Germany and Japan after the occupation.

Mrs. Fitzgerald worked for the U.S. Post Office in the South Boston annex for more than 20 years.

She was a member of St. Augustine Church.

Members of her family include her husband, James J. Fitzgerald of Andover; sons, Joseph J. Fitzgerald of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., Edward F. Fitzgerald of Bridgewater, Dennis G. Fitzgerald of Boxborough and Richard L. Fitzgerald of Andover; sister, Dorothy Kerle of Roslindale; nine grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

Services were held Tuesday at Crosswell Funeral Home in North Reading. A Mass followed at St. Augustine Church. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery in Randolph.

George M. Cunha War hero, library conservator

George M. Cunha, 82, of Lexington, Ky., died Tuesday, Nov. 29.

Mr. Cunha was born in Providence, R.I. He had been a longtime resident of Topsfield and retired to Kentucky in 1980.

He was a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and United States Naval War College.

He was a combat pilot during World War II and was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross. He was a pilot and underwater weapons specialist in the Navy for 26 years before he retired in 1963 as a captain.

Mr. Cunha became chief conserva-

tor at the library of the Boston Athenaeum. He was a teacher and consultant and wrote books on the subject.

He spearheaded the creation of the Northeast Document Conservation Center in Andover and became its first director in 1973.

He was a fellow of the American Institute for Conservation, Royal Society of Arts in London, Society of American Archivists and Pilgrim Society.

Members of his family include sons, James Henry Ryan of Lexington, Ky., and George Daniel Martin Cunha Jr. of San Diego, Calif.; brother, Robert Martin Cunha of Myrtle Beach, S.C.; sister, Constance Cunha Foley of McLean, Va.; 14 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

He was the widower of Dorothy (Grant) Cunha.

Services were held Friday.

Memorial contributions may be made to the George M. Cunha Scholarship Fund for book and paper conservation, in care of Northeast Document Conservation Center, 100 Brickstone Square, Andover, Mass. 01810.

Ida M. Grover Lived in Andover since 1913

Ida M. Grover, 86, of 89 Morton St. died Friday, Dec. 2, at Academy Manor Nursing Home.

Miss Grover was born in Lawrence and had lived in Andover since 1913.

She was educated in Andover schools and graduated from Pynchard High School in 1926. She received a bachelor's degree from Boston University in 1930 and a master's degree, also from Boston University, in 1952.

Miss Grover taught foreign languages at Mendon High School from 1930 to 1933. She taught foreign languages in Andover's secondary schools from 1933 to 1964, specializing in teaching Latin for 12 of those years.

She was a member of the National Retired Teachers Association, Essex County Chapter of Massachusetts Retired Teachers Association and Retired State, County, Municipal Employees' Association.

Miss Grover was a member of St. Augustine Parish. She served on the parish council from 1977 to 1979 and from 1987 to 1990 and was a lector for more than four years. She was a longtime volunteer in the religious education office and Christian Service Commission.

Miss Grover had been a member of Our Mother of Good Council Chapter of the Augustinian Secular since 1987.

Members of her family include her sisters-in-law, Gladys M. Grover of Tennessee and Helene Grover of New York; three nieces and two nephews; four grandnieces, 11 grandnephews; and three cousins.

A Mass was celebrated Monday at St. Augustine Church. Burial was in West Parish Cemetery.

Arrangements were by Breen

Funeral Home in North Andover.

Memorial contributions may be made to Holy Family Hospital Cancer Management Center, 70 East St., Methuen, Mass. 01844, or to Lazarus House, 48 Holly St., Lawrence, Mass. 01842.

George E. Douty Sr. Worked for Andover DPW

George E. Douty Sr., 72, of Chelmsford died Monday, Dec. 5, at Lowell General Hospital.

Mr. Douty, formerly of Andover, was an equipment operator for the town of Andover Department of Public Works before he retired.

Members of his family include his sons and daughters-in-law, George E. and Lucy Douty and Robert L. and Debbie Douty, all of Chelmsford; daughter and son-in-law, Barbara and Patrick Rourke of Florida; brother, William E. Douty of Andover; sister, Elizabeth Trott of New Hampshire; two grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

He was the widower of Mary J. (Hennessey) Douty.

There are no calling hours and funeral services will be private.

Arrangements are by Burke Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society, 14 Loon Hill Road, Dracut, Mass. 01826.

Harold E. Coleman Formerly of Andover

Harold E. Coleman, 84, of Seabrook Beach died Sunday, Dec. 4, at Port Rehabilitation Center in Newburyport.

Mr. Coleman was born in Lawrence. He graduated from Lawrence High School and Cannon Commercial School of Lawrence.

He lived in Andover for many years before moving to Seabrook Beach and Pompano Beach, Fla.

Mr. Coleman worked for the former Arlington Trust Co. as a teller from 1936 to 1942.

He was inducted into the U.S. Navy as a First Class Storekeeper. During World War II he was in the Pacific in charge of the distribution center for the Philippines.

He was discharged in 1946 and attended the Graduate School of Banking at Rutgers University in New Jersey.

He became manager of the newly-constructed Bay State Bank in Andover in 1957 and later managed branches in Ipswich and Haverhill.

He worked at Bay State National Bank and Bank of New England, where he was vice president of economic development and new business.

He retired in 1978 after 42 years in the banking business. The bank asked him to return and work for the development of the bank's new business.

Mr. Coleman was Past Commander

of American Legion, Post 15, treasurer of John Fallon Associates Boys Camp Organization, a member of the Men of Merrimack, a member and treasurer of Hamblet Health Club, Holy Family Men's Guild, Lions Club and Greater Lawrence Chamber of Commerce.

Members of his family include his wife of 48 years, Adelaide (O'Sullivan) Coleman of Seabrook Beach; daughter Mary Frances Kochman, a member of the faculty of Gloucester High School, and her husband, Philip M. Kochman, of Andover; son, Edward F. Coleman, a sports reporter for WFAN in New York, and his wife, Kathleen Coleman, of Scarsdale, N.Y.; sisters, Florence Shaw and Beatrice Collins, both of Lawrence; one niece; four nephews; and several cousins.

A Mass was celebrated Wednesday at the Collegiate Chapel of Christ the Teacher at Merrimack College in North Andover. Burial was in Immaculate Conception Cemetery in Lawrence.

Arrangements were by McAuliffe Funeral Home in Lawrence.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Harold E. Coleman Scholarship, care of Merrimack College, North Andover, Mass. 01845.

Donald M. Squibb Brother lives in Andover

Donald M. Squibb, 75, of Salem, N.H., died Sunday, Dec. 4, at Holy Family Hospital in Methuen.

Mr. Squibb was born in Revere. He graduated from Everett High School.

He had lived in Reading and, while there, had attended the Old South Methodist Church. He was a member of the Good Samaritan Lodge AF&AM in Reading.

Mr. Squibb was a salesman for Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. for 18 years before he retired in 1984. Before that, he was a salesman for the former Cushman's Bakery in Lynn for 30 years.

Members of his family include his wife, Doris K. (Rauth) Knox-Squibb of Salem, N.H.; daughter, Donna Jean DeCicco of Ormand Beach, Fla.; stepdaughters, Sharon D. Dunne of Hillsboro, N.H., and Laurel D. Knox of Auburn; stepson, Raymond J. Knox of Cambridge; brothers, Josiah H. Squibb of Reading, Warren C. Squibb of Summerville, S.C., and Irwin M. Squibb of Andover; two grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; five step-great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

He was the widower of Elsie M. (Litlejohn) Squibb, who died in 1979.

Services will be held today, Thursday, at 11 a.m. at McDonald Funeral Home, 19 Yale Ave., Wakefield. Burial will be in Puritan Lawn Memorial Park in West Peabody.

Calling hours were scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 7, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the funeral home. Officers and mem-

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Donald M. Squibb

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bers of the Good Samaritan Lodge were scheduled to conduct services at the funeral home at 7:30 p.m.

Contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 20 Speen St., Framingham, Mass. 01701, or

the National Kidney Foundation, 180 Rustcraft Road, Dedham, Mass.

Lucinda Sigouin Formerly of Andover

Lucinda Sigouin, 97, of Shawanigan Falls, Canada, died Wednesday, Nov. 30.

Mrs. Sigouin worked for the Champion Paper Co. for 18 years.

She had lived on Argilla Road.

Mrs. Sigouin owned several pieces of property in the Merrimack Valley and also owned Hotel Allen at Hampton Beach.

Members of her family include her children, Muriel Eldred of Fremont Calif., and Dorid Rennie of Lawrence; six grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and many cousins in Canada.

Burial was in St. Joseph Cemetery in Shawanigan Falls, Canada.

BrookRidge has Christmas celebration

This Sunday, Dec. 11, begins the special Christmas celebration Sunday morning services at BrookRidge Community Church, highlighted with contemporary and traditional, instrumental and vocal music, drama and dance.

This Sunday's music will be provided by Robin and Eric Lindahl, with special arrangements of Breath of Heaven, Coventry Carol and Joy to the World.

The dramatic/music presentation entitled "Merry Christmas with Love" is a story of a

widow spending her first Christmas alone and how she receives a special present from God.

The Rev. Bill Watson will give a message entitled "Who is lying in the manger?"

BrookRidge Community Church will present Christmas gifts to hundreds of underprivileged adults and children in the local area.

BrookRidge Community Church meets at 16 Haverhill St. All are welcome. Child care is provided at its services. Call 682-0302.

Lessons and Carols service is Sunday

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and the Rev. Lionel McGehee, both of The Parish of Christ Church.

T.J. Witham, Andy Cornell, Chris Parsons, Kyle Leuner, Katie Childs and Tom Seichter will be acolytes.

The Advent Lessons and Carols service has been an annual event in Andover for many years. The four weeks of Advent, the Christian time of preparation for Christmas, are actually more historical in their celebrations than is the current form of Christmas festivities. Members of the community are invited to celebrate in word and song this period of waiting and anticipation of the Christmas event.

The program is free and open to the public. For more information, call (508) 475-0529.

Third Sunday of Advent at Ballardvale United Church

Sunday, Dec. 11, is the third Sunday of Advent. The Candle of Joy will be lighted on the Advent wreath at Ballardvale United Church. The Rev. Susan Morrison and Mary Hale will preach the third in a three-part series, "I'll be Home for Christmas," with a focus on Nazareth: Jesus' Home Where Truth was Spoken. Scriptures will be from Matthew 2:23 and Luke 4:16-30.

Send your religion news
in each week.

HOLIDAY HELP

Basement's 16 area stores through Saturday, Dec. 24.

For the sixth year, Filene's Basement has joined Project Bread in sponsoring Santa's Kitchen. The Youth Group of Andover, along with Temple Emanuel and many others, have handcrafted holiday ornaments from spoons.

These ornaments are available for a donation at Filene's

Andover School of Montessori is sponsoring a Mitten Tree to benefit Bread and Roses in Lawrence. New mittens may be dropped off at the school until Wednesday, Dec. 14.

The school is located at 180 Main St., North Andover.

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Special Town Meeting approves 8 of 9 articles

ty tax:

- Making agreements with Lowell and Tewksbury to provide sewerage disposal services to commercial users of those services in Andover to facilitate environmental testing;
 - Creating an easement to pass over a piece of town-owned property at Dundee Park, off Essex Street;
 - Creating an easement for Massachusetts Electric Co. to run electric service lines along town-owned land from Woburn Street to South School;
 - Continuing the use of Holt Hill by the state police for telecommunications purposes.
- Voters withdrew:
- A proposal to allow a deal with a commercial telecommunications company to set up a relay station on Holt Hill.

School money, Article 1

Article 1 asked voters to re-appropriate \$709,986 within the budget, including \$50,000 to Municipal Maintenance for emergency replacement of an oil tank at West Middle School and \$600,460 that had to be appropriated in order to fulfill state requirements for school spending, although even the School Committee is unsure at this point what the money will be used for. Two additional transfers — \$18,500 for bullet-proof vests for police, and \$41,026 for road work — were added to this article rather than hold those requests until the annual Town Meeting in April. All the transfers were approved.

Tower replacement withdrawn

Voters approved Article 2, authorizing an agreement with state police regarding use of Holt Hill for telecommunications, but withdrew Article 3, which would have allowed a similar deal with a commercial company.

Holt Hill is in the middle of the 700-acre Ward Reservation off the end of Prospect Street, on the North Andover town line. The town has a water storage tank there, and the state police have a building and radio tower, which they share with the town's police department. The town owns the land, which it took by eminent domain in 1956, and the state police own the building and tower.

The proposal was to allow the town to get involved with a deal between Cellular One, or any other private cellular phone service company, and the state police in which the private company would replace the building, tower and generator on the site with state-of-the-art equipment, all at no cost to the town. The facility also houses the town's police, fire and emergency management radio systems, as well as radios for the state, North Andover and regional police, the Internal Revenue Service and several other agencies.

The one-story, 15-foot by 20-foot building needs replacement. The proposed building, which would be built beside the existing building, would be

20-feet by 30-feet and two stories. A new 160-foot radio tower, the same height as the existing tower, would be installed, and the old building and tower would be removed. The proposal currently under negotiation with Cellular One would involve a 15- or 20-year lease for use of the facility.

John Kimball, of 89 Prospect St., said he lives 400 yards from the hill and has volunteered to oversee the reservation since Town Meeting "seized" the land from the Ward Reservation in 1956. "The damage is done to the aesthetics of the site up there," he said, but asked voters not to allow it to be made worse.

He said that, until now, all uses at the site have been for public agencies, and the proposal would allow a commercial organization on the site.

"What we have here in my view is to have a commercial concern pay for a new tower to gain access to a site they never otherwise would have access to, 'to piggyback' on the town's eminent domain right," Mr. Kimball said.

He asked voters not to approve Article 3.

Al French, of Moreland Road, said the Ward Reservation has always stepped up to do what was needed for the public good, and asked if, with all the new technology, there isn't a way to reduce the size and impact of the new building. He also asked if the police and others involved in the project couldn't compromise with Ward Reservation trustees on a building that would be less intrusive.

John Trombly, of Brady Loop, said he enjoys hiking and picnicking at the reservation and agreed with Mr. French that whatever was built should be built with input and approval from the trustees of the reservation.

Bob Zollner, special town counsel but speaking as a private citizen, agreed with Mr. Kimball, and said allowing commercial enterprise into the reservation was "a very dangerous precedent," and also asked for a no vote on the article.

Buzz Stapeczynski, town manager, assured voters that the article stipulated that any agreement reached by the town manager and selectmen would be in the best interests of the town, but that wasn't good enough for Fred Stott, of 4 Robandy Road. He said there hasn't been a better resident of the town than The Trustees of Reservations or Mr. Kimball as the Trustees' representative. He said he would be happier if the agreement were worked out in detail in advance, with input from the Trustees, then brought to a future town meeting for approval. Mr. Stott asked that the article be withdrawn and that Mr. Kimball be involved in the final decision making.

Voters responded with a loud applause after which the Board of Selectmen, which had previously voted to recommend approval of the article, withdrew its recommendation and moved that the article be withdrawn, which it was.

Train whistles

Voters approved Article 5, a proposal to petition the Legislature to make a law banning the sounding of train whistles at railroad crossings in Andover.

Leo Doherty, of 11 Buxton Court, proponent of the article, told voters that three years ago a change in railroad policy resulted in train whistles being blown in town. He said that the whistles trains use today are not the high-pitched whistles of steam engines, but are the long, low-frequency blasts of air horns more suitable for ships on the open seas. While airports are trying to reduce levels of noise and the impact on neighboring communities, the railroads are moving in the opposite direction, Mr. Doherty said.

The petition for the law must now be filed in the Legislature by one of the town's legislative representatives.

Similar legislation was passed recently in Acton and trains have in the last week or so stopped blowing whistles in that town.

Selectmen thanked Mr. Doherty for his persistence in the matter, but one resident, Elizabeth Wolf, of 33 Sagamore Drive, asked voters to keep the whistles in town. Ms. Wolf said parents should vote against the article. She said whistles are important for safety.

Ms. Wolf was the only person to speak against the proposal and the article passed.

Senior citizen tax voucher

Voters approved \$15,000 as seed money to create a program that will provide senior citizens and disabled homeowners with an opportunity to earn a \$500 credit toward their property tax bill.

This program will permit homeowners who are 60 years old and older, or any resident who is disabled, to earn tax-credit vouchers by working in community-service jobs at a rate of \$5 an hour with a maximum of \$500 per household per year. The \$15,000 will enable 30 persons to take full advantage of the vouchers.

Debra Silberstein, a member of the Andover Council on Aging, said the jobs seniors will do are varied, but include jobs in the accounting department, the library, the schools (stuffing envelopes), or the senior center, and possibly working in school lunch rooms or playgrounds. For more information on the program, residents can contact the Council on Aging.

Life estate approved

Voters approved the purchase of the

land and structure at 15 Glenwood Road Extension, also known as 58 Glenwood Road, for \$30,000. The money will be taken from the \$1 million approved for the Conservation Fund in 1992 for the purpose of open space acquisition.

The unusual part of this deal is that William and Isabel Vaughan, who live in an old home on the land, will maintain a life estate after the sale.

That means the town will buy the property, but will not take ownership until the Vaughans die or otherwise abandon the property.

"The house is a very small and in somewhat dilapidated condition," said Bob Pustell, Conservation Commission chairman, and will have to be torn down when the town takes possession.

The town already owns conservation land on two sides of the Vaughans' property, and the purchase would double the town's frontage on Fosters Pond.

The deal is still contingent on the Vaughans, their attorney and the town reaching an agreement. The Vaughans approached the town with this idea, hoping it would help them keep their home, said Ms. Vaughan.

Dundee Park right-of-way

Voters approved Article 8, which grants a perpetual easement to allow traffic to pass over a piece of town-owned land at the entrance to the Dundee Park office complex off Essex Street.

The land has been used as a driveway for the past 40 years, but the easement was required for a pending sale of five buildings on the property to Pentucket Medical Associates Inc.

South School easement

Voters approved Article 9, which granted an easement to Massachusetts Electric Co. to install poles and lines on a piece of town land off Woburn Street as part of the South School expansion project. The services would run along the edge of the school's property from Woburn Street to the school.



Brian Major, an adult member of the Youth Council, wanted some facts about the program to forgive some part of seniors' or handicapped person's tax bills.



Leo Doherty, of 11 Buxton Court, wants the train whistles silenced.

Lisa Adelsberger photos



Bob Pustell spoke in favor of the town buying 15 Glenwood Road for conservation purposes.

Who are these special-needs youngsters?

(Continued from page 1)

"In order for Brent to really grow to the best of his ability in the cognitive process, he needs to be supported by an occupational therapist, physical therapist, speech therapist and adaptive physical therapist," says Ms. Yoshida.

Now things have changed. At the beginning of November the schools hired a substitute speech therapist to help until December, when a permanent speech therapist will start.

"We are now fully staffed," says Mary French, pupil personnel director.

[See Kim Yoshida's guest column on growing with a special-needs child, page 42.]

Andover special needs students number 600.

They total 11 percent of the 5,291 public school kids in Andover, as of Oct. 1, the state reporting date.

Some are children with multiple handicaps, some are deaf and others are developmentally delayed. Some have disabilities that can be seen.

But as many as three-fourths of the 600 Andover children who have special needs - and therefore come under the Chapter 766 umbrella - have learning disabilities. That means many of these children process information, read or calculate in a way that is different from the majority.

Some, like the youngsters assigned to "assisted study" at Doherty Middle School, have trouble getting started on long-term and complex projects.

Their difficulties may be subtle or readily seen, but their problems keep these youngsters from making acceptable progress in the classroom.

766

Series at a glance

State law, under Chapter 766, mandates that public schools educate students with special needs so that they reach their highest potential. Because the school budget is limited, there is an uneasy equilibrium between paying for specialists and special programs, and funding the entire school system: teacher salaries and other expenses.

In this series, the Townsman will cover:

This week: The students: Who are they, how many, where are they in school?

Week 2: The numbers: Chapter 766 budget, the cost of out-of-town programs, and who - town, state, grants, parents (in one case) - pays for what.

Week 3: Chapter 766 process: How a student becomes a Chapter 766 student; and an interview with Mary French, Pupil Personnel director.

Week 4: 766 task force: School Committee has formed a task force to evaluate Andover's special-needs education.

Week 5: The results: A look at some students who went through the Andover schools under the Chapter 766 umbrella.

A few years ago, the special-needs population of Andover was 17 percent of the students, Mark McQuillan, former superintendent of schools, stated in the document on special-needs services he wrote as he was leaving Andover in August. Currently the state average is 17 percent, said Dr. McQuillan.

But the students are people, not statistics. Shelly Champion is concerned about next year's plans for her daughter, Julie, a student with a genetic birth defect. At 15, Julie studies in a substantially separate class, with students from other communities in a Greater Lawrence Educational Collaborative program. This year, the class is located at Doherty Middle School.

Julie eats in the Doherty lunchroom with other students, and seventh- and eighth-graders assist her with arts, crafts and music as a DMS activity.

"It is reverse mainstreaming," says her mother.

Ms. Champion plans to look into getting a collaborative class started at Andover High School next fall, where her daughter could be placed with other students her age. She says she wants to be sure this class is near other students. Julie is considered an out-placement student because Andover pays for her education through the collaborative.

Ms. Champion is a 766 special needs parent liaison for Doherty Middle School.

Melissa Griffin, 12, a South School fifth-grader with Down's syndrome, spends her day in a regular class taught by Frank Rapisardi.

"She has an aide in the classroom put there to support Melissa, but the aide can deal with other kids. That's the model that works best for her," says her mother, Pat Griffin, of 7 Hawk Ridge Road.

South School has an instructional aide for each grade.

Incidentally, Melissa recently won a bronze medal with the Merrimack Valley Blazers integrated soccer team, competing in the Massachusetts Special Olympics. She sings with the SouthSide Singers, plays drums in a school combo and earns badges with the resident Girl Scout troop.

Define 'special needs'

"The A-plus student in a wheelchair is not a special-needs youngster," says Ms. French.

The student must have both a handicapping condition and not able to make effective progress in a regular class to be a special needs student.

"Such determination or referral must be based upon a finding of that child, because of temporary or permanent adjustment difficulties or attributes arising from intellectual, sensory, emotional or physical factors, or other specific learning impairments ... is unable to progress effectively in a regular education program and



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

The Yoshidas Kim, Brent, Keiko and David stop for a family photo.

requires special education. Pursuant to M.G.L. c.71B, no child shall be determined to be a school-age child with special needs solely because the child's behavior violates the school's disciplinary code," states the Massachusetts General Law.

A special-needs child is a person, ages 3 up to his/her 22nd birthday, who has not obtained a high-school diploma or its equivalent.

"A student expelled for taking a gun to school is not a special-needs child unless he or she previously was in a special-needs program," said Ms. French.

Where are they in school?

As of Oct. 1, 41 of the 600 special needs Andover students, about 6.8 percent, attend school out of town. The budgeted cost in December 1993 (for Fiscal Year 1995) for the 41 special-needs students who attend school out of town is \$918,340 for tuitions, plus \$234,782 for the transportation for these youngsters.

The number of out-placement students has remained fairly steady over the years, said Ms. French.

Four attend public schools in other towns because appropriate programs are not available here: two of the four are at the Lexington, Arlington, Burlington and Bedford (LABB) Collaborative and two at EDCO Collaborative, which services the Newton public schools. Greater Lawrence Educational Collaborative (GLEC), which offers specialized programs to children from several local towns, educates 10 Andover students: four in the alternative-school program, three in the physically-handicapped program and three in the transitional-employment (Visions) program.

There are 20 students who attend

private day schools: five at Landmark School in Beverly Farms, two each at Community Therapeutic School in Lexington, St. Ann's School in Methuen, Dearborn School in Arlington, and one each at New Perspectives in Brookline, Solstice Adolescent Program in Rowley, Learning Center for the Deaf in Framingham, Perkins School in Watertown, Cardinal Cushing School in Hanover, Children's Extended Care Center in Groton, New England Periatric Care, Language and Cognitive Development Center (L/CDC/Seem Collaborative) in North Reading and Cotting School in Lexington.

Seven Andover students live and study at private residential schools: two at Eagle Hill School in Hardwick, one each at Landmark School, Cardinal Cushing School, Perkins School, Sorenson School in Utah and Higashi School in Randolph.

Dr. McQuillan said, in his exiting paper, that Andover has more than the state average in outside placements, a figure Ms. French disputes.

This fall, four students came back to the Andover system from placement in out-of-town programs from June to September, 1994. Several return during the school year. Some of the parents need much encouragement and support to make the change, said Ms. French.

Students educated in town

In all, 559 - 93 percent of Andover's special needs youngsters - are educated in Andover public schools.

In his exiting paper on special needs, Dr. McQuillan said, "Seventy percent of Andover students are receiving 75-100 percent of instruction in regular classrooms."

Schools considering maintenance takeover

By Neil Fater

The School Committee has directed Dick Neal, superintendent of schools, to look into the benefits of the school department assuming control over the maintenance of its buildings, a move that would likely require a major restructuring of the town's municipal maintenance power structure.

The committee approved this directive 3-0-2, with Dick Muller, Susan Dalton and Lloyd Willey in favor of the proposal. Mary Lyman and Bill Huston abstained.

"I think it's time for the School Committee to make an evaluation" as to whether it is in its best interest to directly control school maintenance and/or the maintenance staff, said Mr. Muller, chairman. "I think it's time for us to make that decision and the only way we can do that is to understand what is involved."

The committee's directive came less than a week after it received a draft of a final report that reviewed cost accounting problems within the municipal maintenance department. The report was put together by Mark Abrahams, a consultant hired by the town for \$10,000.

Mr. Willey said that the report's recommendations were "certainly absolutely necessary and we can't live without them so we don't have a recurrence of what occurred last night," namely the state-mandated transfer of funds to the schools at Special Town Meeting.

However, the report assumed control over maintenance power will remain solely in the town manager's office, something the School Committee is not sure is in its best interest.

Because of this, Ms. Dalton said she

will reserve judgment on the report's recommendations "until we explore Mr. Neal's response to our request."

"I think what we're doing is we want to take a look at it (school control of school maintenance) comparative to what we already have (town control). I want to maintain an open mind at this point. I don't look at taking over maintenance as a fait accompli," said Ms. Dalton. "It's all up for discussion as far as I'm concerned."

Problems outlined

An introductory letter attached to the report draft outlined three major maintenance-department problems of which officials already are aware. These problems are that:

- "The current work order system lacks the required discipline to make it a meaningful process";

- "A cost accounting system does not exist"; and

- "The management and cost accounting problems summarized above (have) resulted in a deteriorating communications problem between the town and the school department."

Last year, tempers flared when selectmen refused to place on the Town Meeting warrant a schools-sponsored article aimed at gaining some control over the municipal maintenance department. Administrators are aware this new effort will ruffle town employees' feathers, and hope to avoid an antagonistic situation.

"This does become a very sensitive type thing to discuss," said Mr. Neal. "The intent certainly will be not to get too many people aroused by this."

Ms. Lyman, committee member, agreed with this statement and said she does not believe school control will solve the maintenance problems.

Board people's humor

By Neil Fater

The presence in town of late-night talk-show host Jay Leno apparently inspired Dick Muller, School Committee chairman, to try his hand at comedy this week.

During Tuesday night's meeting, the committee was discussing the school system's transportation policies and the fact that students are no longer dropped off in front of their houses.

School Committee member Susan Dalton said that this was not surpris-

ing. Students were not dropped off in front of their homes when she went to school, either.

"Did they have buses then?" asked Mr. Muller.

Earlier in the meeting, Mr. Muller had actually made points with Ms. Dalton. The chairman began the meeting by recognizing Ms. Dalton for passing the law bar. Much to his pleasure, the congratulations caught Ms. Dalton by surprise.

"I've been trying for two years to get her to blush," said Mr. Muller.

"Maintenance used to be with the schools and there were problems then," said Ms. Lyman. "I think you have a problem with successfully implementing maintenance programs anywhere."

"When they say 'explore,' to me, I

felt it was a goal. To me, this is a preliminary phase."

The School Committee asked Mr. Neal to look into taking control of the scheduling of school buildings and fields two weeks ago.

Redistricting of Andover's schools remains hot issue

By Neil Fater

Although the School Committee won't discuss it until next calendar year, redistricting remains at the top of parental agendas.

Parents have been calling and writing committee members to find out which streets will be affected by the committee's decision.

The committee is currently considering two general options, one of which will go into effect when South School's construction project is completed.

Parents are also interested in the fate of Shawsheen School, with a vast majority of people asking the committee to leave the school as a K-2 integrat-

ed primary. [See the letters section, beginning on page 43.] The other option is to make Shawsheen an all-town kindergarten.

Mike Rivet, Sherbourne Street, extolled the virtues of the current Shawsheen set-up Tuesday night.

"It doesn't make sense to destroy an extremely successful program," he told the committee. If you change Shawsheen, "What is the message you're giving to the staff?"

"They need some stability, as do the students."

The School Committee will discuss redistricting at its Jan. 3 meeting, rather than at its Dec. 20 meeting as originally scheduled.

The Chapter 766 students

The following is a breakdown of schools and number of special needs students: Bancroft, 69; Sanborn, 40; Shawsheen, 54; South, 33; West Elementary 98; Doherty Middle School 82; West Middle School 59; Andover High School 124; total 559.

"There is more movement now to looking at the placement of kids. Kids belong (here) as much as possible. As much as possible, they should be educated in our town," said Ms. French.

Many are returning to regular classrooms. In the past four years, the number of youngsters receiving all their education in separate classrooms has been cut in half.

In an Aug. 11 memorandum, Ms. French documented the decrease in the number of students who are educated in separate classrooms. In October 1990, 74 students were educated in separate classes. In 1994, less than half that

34 - are still in separate classes, says Ms. French.

"A lot of inclusion or mainstreaming means dumping the kids in the classroom and I think that's uncon-

scionable. To return youngsters to regular classrooms takes much support from the classroom teachers, parents, administrators and special needs teachers," she said.

Ms. French gives the example of the eight to 10 youngsters in a separate special-needs class at West Elementary School who now go with their teacher and assistant to study in regular classes.

Next week: The numbers: Chapter 766 budget, the cost of out-of-town programs, and who - town, state, grants, parents - pays for what.

Former Chapter 766 students: We would like to talk with you

Note: The *Townsmen* is looking for former Andover public school students who will tell their story about going through school under the Chapter 766 program. Please call Alix Driscoll at 508-475-1943.

School Committee considers enacting voluntary and involuntary teacher transfers

By Neil Fater

The School Committee is considering a staff rotation policy that could transfer teachers to other Andover school against their will.

Although legal concerns forced the School Committee to delay its vote Tuesday night, a majority of the committee appears to be in favor of a policy that will include voluntary and involuntary teacher transfers between class levels and, at the elementary and middle schools, between school buildings.

The committee delayed its vote in part because Thomas Meyers, presi-

dent of the teachers union, suggested "the place to discuss this would be at the bargaining table." The teachers union is currently in negotiations on a new contract.

"We would welcome sitting down and looking at that," said Mr. Meyers. "There is significant concern within the system over this."

Part of this concern revolves around breaking up a group of teachers who may currently work very well together.

In addition, moving a teacher who has a legacy of always teaching a par-

EDITORIALS

Watch where you're going

Note to the woman who was driving a grayish Honda Monday, late morning, turning north onto Main Street from Chestnut Street: the editor of the *Townsmen* and you are lucky that she, the editor, is still alive.

Have you noticed that people are preoccupied with the holidays? The editor of this newspaper was crossing - correctly with the light - Main Street Monday when a woman driving a Honda was not looking where she was going. She was turned around saying something to her child/children in the back seat. The editor was looking at her, trying to gain eye contact, and when she figured that wasn't going to happen, she did two things: she yelled, "Hey!" and then ran. The driver just missed the pedestrian. The driver did look back and do all the apology things with her mouth and hands.

The point here is not to torture the Honda-driver. The point is to remind all drivers that pedestrians have the right of way, that it is a time of year when everyone's mind is not well focused. For drivers that could mean accidents.

While we're at it, could we ask pedestrians to learn how to cross the street? Lately in Andover, especially on downtown streets, we find pedestrians waiting for the drivers' light to turn green and then the pedestrian crosses exactly when he/she shouldn't. Let's keep Andover safe for walkers and drivers.

Community calendar

Did you know that the *Andover Townsmen* keeps the Andover Community Calendar? It is a listing of major local events including fund-raisers, concerts, plays and more.

The purpose of the calendar is to avoid two major events occurring on the same day.

If your organization has planned an event that should be included in the Community Calendar, write it down and send it to Perry Colmore, *Andover Townsmen*, 33 Chestnut St., Andover 01810, or fax it to 508-470-2819. The event must be written and not phoned into the paper.

If you are planning an event and want to know if something already is scheduled for that date, call Ms. Colmore at 508-475-1943.



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

The Yoshidas, Keiko, Kim, Brent and David, play basketball in their backyard.

Mom of special-needs son tells her story

By Kim Yoshida

The child is not going to be somebody, the child already is somebody.

What a simple, seemingly obvious statement. And yet I, as many others, have spent hours, even before my children were born, imagining and planning who and what they would be.

A little more than four years ago I was walking across a prep school campus with David and my stepson, Christo-

get him caught up before kindergarten.

And then, several months and many tests later, the words of the neurologist, "I'm sorry Mrs. Yoshida. Brent has Fragile X Syndrome, inherited from you, and your daughter, Keiko, is also at risk."

I knew a little about Fragile X Syndrome because Brent's godmother had sent me an article on it and she had scribbled across the top, "Kim, just thank God Brent doesn't have this syndrome."

I knew it meant he was mentally retarded. I knew males with Fragile X sometimes had severe behavior issues, and as a result, sometimes ended up in institutions. I knew there was no cure, Brent could not be fixed. And, driving home from the doctor's that afternoon, my head was spinning as I kept thinking, this could not really be happening to me. Yes, I knew it happened, but to others, not to me and not to the family we had created.

I didn't crumble, I crashed. As the reality of Brent's diagnosis hit me, a sense of utter hopelessness enveloped my life and I truly became

stuck. "Never" and "couldn't" became common vocabulary as I spent an inordinate amount of energy focusing on the many things I assumed Brent and our family unit could not and would not ever do or be. I had already planned my

life, and nowhere had this happening even flashed before me for consideration. I often asked, "God, why me? And why have you given me this child?" And, I didn't hear an answer. I didn't know if there was an answer.

Books and counseling assured me that it was normal and healthy to feel anger, guilt, grief and frustration. And I did. Guilt - he had inherited it from me. Anger and frustration with Brent when I couldn't understand him, with David and his ability to accept the situation and not just dwell on the negatives, with friends and family who tried, but couldn't really understand, and, with myself, because for the first time in my life, I couldn't just pick up and go forward.

I don't know exactly at what point the scale of my emotions became more balanced or, what triggered it. It may have been watching Brent's

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Guest Column
Kim Yoshida



pher, and I recall thinking that perhaps it would be special for Brent, our 1-year-old son, to follow Chris' path in this school, rather than the one I had already assumed he would attend. But then the pit came to my stomach, because although at the time no one believed me, I thought there was something very wrong with Brent. A year later, Children's Hospital confirmed my suspicions. Yes, he was delayed and needed immediate intervention. I was sure I could cope - we would get him physical, occupational and speech therapy and fix the problems;

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LETTERS

Bickering about Alderbrook Road

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Why do all the citizens of Andover have to become involved with a few neighbors that cannot get along? I am referring to the Alderbrook story in last week's *Townsmen*.

These are the people that spent well over an hour at the April Town Meeting bickering about the paving of a few feet of road. The civic-minded folks that walked out of the meeting after their vote! Now I see that not only have we had our time wasted, we are going to be wasting our precious tax dollars because these people cannot resolve their differences.

May I suggest they follow the advice in Robert Frost's poem, *Mending Wall*, "Good fences make good neighbors." Try to be good neighbors, build a fence, a moat, plant trees, just settle this issue privately, not with public time and money.

Jane Gifun
9 Castle Heights Road

This shopper won't be back to Andover soon

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Recently, my wife and I moved into the area, having purchased a condominium at Sutton Pond. Being new to the location, we were pleased to be welcomed through the mail by several Andover merchants.

On Nov. 12, 1994, our daughter came to visit us in our new home. We decided to drive to Andover to visit and patronize the area merchants. We had lunch at King's Sub & Pizza, purchased two loaves of fresh-baked bread at La Patisserie, after having first visited Photo USA for film development.

Having parked in the public parking lot at La Patisserie and amply feeding the parking meter, we were shocked to find a ticket, levying an \$8 parking fine, on our windshield. Upon closer

examination, we found we had inadvertently parked in an area marked by a less than conspicuous "permit parking" sign. Badge #13 certainly did a commendable job, must have been waiting for us to walk away from the car. Somehow, the merchants' welcome was somewhat tarnished and frankly I don't think I'll be patronizing them again soon.

W.L. Simpson Jr.
148 Main St. K-125
North Andover

Sunshine the beagle was her best friend

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Thank you for your article about your dog, Sophie. I, too, had my dog, Sunshine, an adorable 14-year-old beagle, put to sleep recently. My entire family loved her very much, but she was really my dog - my best friend and shadow.

About a year ago, I began to see a real decline in Sunny and began to have to walk her, something I hadn't had to do before. Then over this past summer, she started to have accidents in the house and walk in her excrement and urine. About this time she also began to lose weight and have a problem standing - her hind legs losing muscle mass. Still, I continued walking her and cleaning up after her. Suddenly, two weeks ago, after another cleanup episode, I realized this was not my beloved Sunshine, but a friend in pain and also one who was losing her dignity. So, I made this decision to end her suffering.

Even though I know in my heart it was the right decision, I can still see her so still on that table at the vet's office. This loss is so great for me that I keep her blanket close by for doses of her smell and nearness when I feel caught up in my sorrow.

Your article meant so much to me. Even though I probably will not have another dog because it isn't the right time in my life, I know that soon I'll be

able to smile at all the happy memories I have of a trusted and beloved friend.

Paula Cohen
9 La Mancha Way

Why not edit out the offensive word?

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I wonder why you did not exercise your editorial discretion and remove the word "hag" from Al Marotta's vituperative description of the unpaid senior citizens he found to be so unhelpful at the polls. "Hag" is one of those shotgun-style put-downs that stigmatize a whole class of people for conditions beyond their control, in this case, aging. I can't speak for older women, but I suspect Mr. Marotta's mother or grandmother would wince at his letter.

Which brings me back to the question: why print such a flagrantly insensitive diatribe? Was it to provoke reader reaction?

I think you are within your rights as an editor to ensure, and we as readers to demand, that the *Townsmen* maintain a tone of civility. Mr. Marotta was furious at what he perceived as disrespectful treatment. He lashed out with the kind of language we all use when angry, and often regret when we've cooled down. The right thing to do would have been to tell him, "we can't print a letter with that kind of language in it, because it will offend a lot of people and not help make your point. Write it again."

Personally, I have never found poll workers to be anything but courteous, and I, too, have blundered into the wrong precinct on occasion.

Peter Wood
44 Rocky Hill Road

[Editor's note: You are right, the editor has the right to edit letters for taste, as well as other reasons. In fact, we called Mr. Marotta and had quite a discussion about the word "hag," which offended us, too. However, the word was not as blatantly offensive as some others

and because the writer insisted he meant it, and because we hate to change writers' letters, we made the decision to let it stand. Perhaps it was a mistake, but we were counting on the fact that someone else would write as you did and perhaps explain better than we were able - to Mr. Marotta - what that type of language does. Thank you for writing.]

Keep Shawsheen as magnet school

Editor, *Townsmen*:

We urge the Andover School Committee to maintain Shawsheen School as a magnet school with open enrollment.

Our school is unique. Its policy of optional enrollment helps makes it so. Student population has shown steady growth through the years in spite of annual uncertainties about continuity and in spite of transportation having been a parent responsibility. Although parents of this year's 96 kindergartners have had to provide noontime transportation, enrollment continued to grow.

Of major importance to the town is the fact that Shawsheen achieved its goal of alleviating the overcrowding at Bancroft and West Elementary schools. At a recent School Committee meeting our principal, Theresa Murphy, said, "The majority (of the students) are from schools that would benefit from lower enrollments." Of the 232 students currently enrolled, 43 (18 percent) are from Bancroft's district, and 153 (almost 66 percent) are from West Elementary's district. A total of 84.4 percent of Shawsheen's children are from Bancroft and West Elementary.

Shawsheen's growth pattern continues. Projected enrollment for the 1995 '96 school year is 280 (up from our present 232 plus 32 Early Childhood children), which would fully utilize the space at Shawsheen School.

The steady increase of student enrollment indicates a strong parental commitment to Shawsheen School's developmental approach to education. Our nurturing staff knows each child as a unique individual with particular patterns of physical, intellectual and emotional growth. Parents are partners in the learning process.

The following are parent responses to the School Council's survey question asking parents what are the three best things Shawsheen School has going for it: They clearly indicate positive feelings the parents have about our school:

Professionalism of the staff was the most popular response.

Positive atmosphere.

Small size of the school.

Quality of the integrated curriculum.

Special programs/plays.

At a recent School Committee meeting our PTO president said, "Everyone

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The Yoshida family is enriched by Brent

sister, Keiko, playing with him, encouraging him to keep trying to draw a simple line and sharing with him her delight when he did - not bothered that he was 4 and should have accomplished it long before.

It may have been one day at CVS when, to my own surprise, I stepped up to the counter to assist two people with language and mental disabilities to explain to the pharmacist their needs instead of assuming my usual reaction: impatiently waiting in line, perturbed at being delayed.

It may have been the utter joy I experienced when Brent, nearly 5 years old, finally mastered the motor planning necessary to plant his sloppy,

but first, real kiss on my cheek.

Slowly, very slowly, I began to see Brent as he was, rather than who he

was not. I began to see our family use the sensitivities we had developed, rather than dwell on what we could not do. I began to see that the plans I held as to what would make my child happy were, in fact, what would make me happy, not Brent; that he would find his own niche and level of accomplishment.

I began to use the words "maybe" and "we hope" rather than "never."

And, I began to see that as a family, we were not, as I had thought, deprived but enriched, because we were forced to go beyond our small, seemingly safe, environment.

This is not a "metamorphosis" which is defined as a complete transformation - it is a "transforming," a continuing process.

I can't say, "I'm glad that my son is retarded." The pain and sense of loss that David and I hold is real and will never go away. It will always be with us, and in a perhaps, conflicting, positive way, remind us of the expansion Brent has brought into our lives.

I no longer need to ask "Why?" because now I have a sense of why ... why me, why us.

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Keep Shawsheen as a magnet school

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there wants to be there."

"Everyone" is staff, parents and children. "There" is Shawsheen School.

Please continue to allow "Everyone" there who wants to be there" by maintaining Shawsheen School as a managed magnet school with open enrollment.

Thank you.

Members of the Shawsheen School Council
Co-chairs Theresa G. Murphy, principal
 Barry Altshuler;
Teacher representatives: Susan Infantine and Irene Velonis;
Parent representatives: Patrice Minton, PTO president, Betty Singleton, recorder;
Community representatives: Richard Bourdelais, physical ed. coordinator, Sydney Bialo, director of SHED.

Nancy Cranney, budget director,
 East DA's Office

Another magnet fan

Editor, *Townsmen*:

With the completion of the South School addition, the Andover School Committee is considering two elementary school redistricting plans. Unfortunately, one plan involves replacing the Shawsheen K-2 Magnet program with a town-wide kindergarten.

Since the town disbanded the town-wide kindergarten in 1990, concerned Andover teachers, parents and residents have struggled to preserve the Shawsheen building and to establish an Integrated Magnet program in Andover. Their tireless efforts have paid off and the results have been outstanding. Starting with just 119 students in 1991, Shawsheen will reach full capacity, 280 students, in 1995. Shawsheen has met its commitments to the town when it was granted permission to open. On the other hand, the School Committee now appears to be reneging on its commitment to the school.

For the School Committee to consider any plan abolishing the Shawsheen

K-2 Magnet school under the auspices of school redistricting is either naive or premeditated. Furthermore, it completely disregards the efforts of those who have struggled to build the program into the success it is today. The two issues are independent and should not be commingled.

Although many town residents previously enjoyed a town-wide kindergarten, returning to a town-wide K has many disadvantage over preserving the managed magnet program.

Using Shawsheen as a town-wide K reduces the building capacity by 50 (full time equivalent) students.

Six of the 10 Shawsheen classrooms are considered inadequate for kindergarten use.

Given current growth rates, kindergarten enrollment will likely exceed the 230 full-time-equivalent student capacity in just two years, forcing the town to once again abolish the program.

With 10 classrooms, the student-teacher ratio will be 23 to 1, compared with the current neighborhood kindergarten ratio of 21 to 1.

A town-wide K plan unnecessarily imposes long bus rides on those who

live far from Shawsheen School.

Returning to a town-wide K will disrupt the 438 kindergarten families plus the 195 families with children currently enrolled in the plan.

On the other hand, preserving Shawsheen as a K-2 Magnet program, which can annually adjust the number of Shawsheen spaces allocated to each school district, is the only way the town can effectively manage the annual fluctuations in district enrollments without overcrowding or frequent redistricting. This is a major benefit to families attending the neighborhood schools.

Furthermore, for those students who need it, Shawsheen provides an intimate and integrated K-2 learning experience to its students in exchange for the transition into the neighborhood school for third grade.

It's time the School Committee and the town of Andover embrace and endorse the Shawsheen K-2 Magnet program and stop trying to tinker with its success. I urge the School Committee to commit to the Shawsheen program as an integral part of the Andover educational strategy and guarantee its existence for several years to come.

Edward P. Hunt
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LETTERS

Don't hire consultant to find new superintendent

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I am respectfully writing to question the idea of hiring a consultant to find a new superintendent for the Andover public school system.

Approximately a year and a half ago, the town set up an ad-hoc committee consisting of residents to find an assistant superintendent. The committee searched through many resumes and narrowed the search down to five finalists after which the School Committee made the final decision. As a result of the search, the school system found itself an excellent assistant superintendent.

Furthermore, if the town hires a consultant it will cost approximately \$7,000 more than the ad-hoc committee process. This money could be better used in buying new textbooks for the schools or making repairs to the infrastructure (i.e. fire engine repairs).

Finally, I do believe hiring a qualified superintendent is crucial to the school system, but I do not believe in spending taxpayers' money while there is already a system in place that works.

Barry R. Finegold
11 Lavender Hill Lane

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The *Townsmen* welcomes readers' letters.

Letters must be signed with a name and address and should be no longer than two typed pages, double spaced, and shorter if possible. Please include a phone number, in case there are questions.

The editor reserves the right to edit letters for clarity, space, taste or libel. In addition, the editor has the right to omit letters.

The *Townsmen* does not accept thank-you letters. The paper has a space in the classified ad section, Messages, for thank-you message.

Letters may be faxed to 508-470-2819 or sent to 33 Chestnut St., Andover MA 01810.

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Teacher transfers

(Continued from page 41) ticular subject may harm a school's sense of community, according to Sarah Weir, student representative to the School Committee.

"It's not always negative. Some of the staff I've talked to have thought of it as a positive. I think sharing ideas and working sometimes with different people helps all involved," said Dick Muller, committee chairman.

Bill Huston, committee member, said he is concerned the policy might be used as part of a "personal vendetta" to target specific teachers.

Other School Committee members made clear that the administration, not the School Committee, will control which teachers are moved.

"I would find it quite shocking that someone would focus on an individual teacher," said Susan Dalton. "The School Committee is not micromanaging the school house."

"We won't even get involved with the individuals," said Mr. Muller.

When Mark McQuillan, former superintendent, tried to transfer popular teachers between Doherty and West middle schools this spring, an uproar from the community caused the school department to reverse its decision.

"The last thing I want to do is hand-string the superintendent so he can't use his people," said Lloyd Willey, committee member. "I want to require a plan. Last year, with-

out one, we ended up with a problem."

Mr. Meyers said that if staff rotation is done "piecemeal" then it "may be exceedingly disruptive" to the schools.

"I would never expect that any plan for rotation presented to the School Committee would be piecemeal," countered Susan Dalton, committee secretary. "I have to say that my confidence is placed in the superintendent."



In addition to the cats on page 3 who need a home, the two pictured here need homes. Both are spayed, have had rabies and distemper shots and other medical procedures. Dancer, born June 1992 and Lady, born May 1994. Their mistress is ill and she needs to place the cats immediately. Call Debbie Kelso at 470-1244 for further information.

Some early Townsman deadlines coming soon: See page 3.

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John O'Brien bid for Senate presidency stalls

By Neil Fater

After trying to line up a bipartisan coalition to unseat William M. Bulger, the perennial Senate president, state Sen. John D. O'Brien Jr. of Andover now concedes that he will not be able to defeat the South Boston powerhouse.

"I do at this point think the Senate president is going to be elected to another term based on talking to my colleagues," Sen. O'Brien said this week.

Although he expects only seven legislators to oppose Sen. Bulger's nomination, Sen. O'Brien said he still hopes to alter the way the state Legislature operates.

"I do believe it's time for some changes in leadership in the Senate. We're always told there's no alternatives ... and I just believe there are alternatives," he said. "There are things we could do to improve the institution."

Sen. O'Brien is beginning his

'I do believe it's time for some changes in leadership in the Senate. We're always told there's no alternatives...'

second term and claimed the presidential bid was not an effort to gain name recognition as part of a plan for higher office. He said he does not believe Sen. Bulger will try to undermine his legislative efforts because of his leadership challenge.

"It didn't happen two years ago and I don't think it will happen this time," said Sen. O'Brien. "It's awfully hard to pay back seven people in a chamber where there are only 40 people."

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Board to review town manager contract this week

Selectman Larry Larsen believes the board met illegally

By Don Staruk

Selectman Larry Larsen Wednesday morning revealed that the Board of Selectmen will review the town manager's contract in a public meeting this Monday night, Dec. 12, at town offices.

But he said it appears that he and his fellow board members met illegally in preparation for the upcoming meeting.

Dr. Larsen said he found out from the Essex County district attorney's office earlier Wednesday morning that lunch meetings selectmen held to discuss the upcoming review process should have been posted meetings.

He said he was advising the *Townsmen* of the alleged wrongdoing because he thought it best to let the public know as soon as possible.

"I thought it should be out," he said.

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski's contract is up in July and if he is going to be offered a new contract, that must happen three to six months before hand, Dr. Larsen said.

A couple of months ago, Chairman Gerald Silverman asked Dr. Larsen and Selectman James Barenboim to get together and work up an evaluation form that each selectman could use to focus on issues he wanted to address

in the upcoming evaluation of the town manager. The pair did that, reworked it with their fellow board members a little bit, then had lunch together to discuss some of the issues.

In the meantime, they also met with the town manager and told him of their plan and asked him to be prepared to review them as well, and to be prepared to advise them of any changes he would like to see in his contract.

One issue they expect to address is a salary increase for Mr. Stapczynski, Dr. Larsen said.

Then this past Tuesday night, in an executive session in the town manager's office prior to their regular meeting, Selectman William Downs suggested that Dr. Larsen and

Mr. Barenboim may have constituted an illegal subcommittee when they met to develop the evaluation form.

Wednesday morning, Dr. Larsen called the district attorney's office and was told by Assistant District Attorney Bob Bender, who specializes in open meeting law, that while Dr. Larsen and Mr. Barenboim did not break any law in their meeting to put develop the form, the lunch meetings where the board discussed the evaluation process with the town manager should have been posted meetings.

Dr. Larsen said board members had planned to bring all their work and planning out at the public meeting next week anyway, but had they thought they were doing well to be

doing their homework.

"We saw ourselves as doing leg-work," Dr. Larsen said.

"The whole purpose of the thing was to give the town manager a chance to evaluate us. Our goal was not to create any illusions of chicanery."

The board plans to go ahead with the meeting Monday night, according to Dr. Larsen. At the meeting it will discuss the evaluation process with the manager. He also expects Mr. Stapczynski to be prepared to discuss his plans for the future and any issues he has regarding his contract.

Dr. Larsen said selectmen have been seeking feedback from people on the

town manager's performance regarding topics such as fiscal

matters, union negotiations, his sense of direction for the

town, his responsiveness to the community and whether he follows through with what he says he will do.

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men knew how they were going to vote before their discussion ever started.

"It's an orchestrated play," Mr. Ryan said. "This town has no appetite to cut back spending. And they just decided to take the easy way out and put the burden on those who don't vote. Businesses vote with their feet."

"It's time for a change. It's time for new blood to come in and make decisions," Mr. Fossella said.

Need help with heat? Call Rep. Gary Coon

Representative Gary M. Coon, R-Andover, has announced that the Executive Office of Communities and Development has released its "Cold Relief" publication for this winter.

Information on energy assistance programs and eligibility guidelines is contained in the brochure.

To obtain a copy or for more information, call the toll free "Heatline" at 1-800-632-8175 or Rep. Coon's office at (617) 722-2489.

VNA lists programs

VNA HomeCare, Inc.'s HIV/AIDS program offers two support groups: A Bereavement Support Group on Thursdays and an HIV-positive Support Group will be held on Mondays.

For information or to enroll, call either Leslie Bresnahan or Marge Ballou at 1-800-933-5593 (Massachusetts only) or 470-1615.

"You know what this town needs. This town needs a couple of opposed candidates," Mr. Ryan said.

Maintained burden

Those members who voted in favor of maintaining the shift said the 135 percent would keep the amount of tax burden shared by each tax class relatively

the same as last year.

If the shift were decreased by 5 percent, to 130 percent, the residential tax rate for FY'95 would be \$16.32, a 7.79 percent increase, or 26 cents higher than what was voted. The C-1 rate would have been \$23.29, a 2.24 percent increase or 89 cents lower than what was voted.

The tax burden is

currently split 77/23, with residential property owners paying 77 percent of the revenues raised by taxes, and C-1 property owners paying about 23 percent of the tax burden. With the shift remaining at 135 percent, there will be a slight shift in the tax burden, less than 0.2 percent, to the C-1 classes, according to William

Krajeski, assessor.

Total property values rose by just under 2 percent this year, but individual assessments were not changed. The changes in values reflect new construction or additions to existing structures. Residential property increased 1.7 percent overall, while C-1 property increased 2.8 percent in value.

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NEWS FOR SENIORS

By Sharon L. Souza

Volunteers are needed to work in our new "Caring Companions" program. The companionship service is designed to provide company and supervision to lonely, handicapped or socially isolated elders and provide respite care for relief to family members with dependent elderly relatives.

A one-week mandatory training will take place Jan. 9-13. This program is made possible through a grant from the Executive Office of Elder Affairs. Volunteers will be trained and supervised by a contracted agency and must be willing to make a six-month commitment to share a few hours a week. All ages are welcome. Call Doreen Corren-

ti at Geriatrics Assistance Inc. at 470-2333.

"The Friends of the Senior Center" are sponsoring a silent auction to raise money for the building fund. It will be held at the Drop-In Center at Old Town Hall, Main Street, Friday, Dec. 9, from 4-9 p.m., and Saturday, Dec. 10, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

The Andover/North Andover Chapter of AARP will hold its monthly meeting Tuesday, Dec. 13, at 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.

The Haven Associates and the

Senior Center will hold a combined holiday party Thursday, Dec. 15, for Andover's senior citizens in the function room at the Grille 93 Restaurant on River Road. Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres will be served from noon to 1 p.m. with dinner served at 1. Tickets are \$6, at the Senior Center. Haven members may purchase their tickets from Oscar Rosenberg. Transportation is available. Pickups at the Senior Center and the Commons at 11:30 a.m. with return at 4 p.m. Let us know if you would like a ride.

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Wednesday: Baked stuffed peppers with tomato sauce, parsnip potatoes, wax beans, lemon square.

Thursday: Baked stuffed shells, garden salad, ice cream.

Friday: New England clam chowder, tuna salad in Syrian bread, macaroni salad, fresh fruit.

For reservation, call 470-3830 before 2 p.m. on the business day before the lunch you plan to attend. Breaded veal patty will be served Monday, Dec. 19, and turkey and gravy on Tuesday, Dec. 20.

VNA to hold clinics

Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) HomeCare of 1 Union St. will hold a free health clinic for the elderly Monday, Dec. 19, at Andover Commons from 1 to 3 p.m.

Clinics in Andover are staffed jointly by VNA HomeCare and the Andover Health Department.

Call the health department at 470-3800, Ext. 255, or VNA HomeCare at 470-1615, Ext. 221.

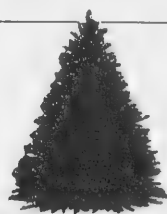


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ARRESTS

Tuesday, Nov. 29 - At 12:20 p.m., Michael Golden, 41, of 49 Reservation Road, was arrested on Clark Road and charged with speeding, operating after revocation of his license and giving a false name to a police officer.

At 9:29 p.m., Robin M. Lovette, 28, of Beverly, was arrested on Union Street and charged with giving a false name to a police officer, operating with an improper registration and uninsured, and on an Amesbury larceny warrant.

David Murphy, 30, of Beverly, was arrested with Ms. Lovette and charged on a Methuen warrant for larceny by check, and on a Lawrence traffic warrant.

Wednesday, Nov. 30 - At 9:21 p.m., Michael W. Rollins, 34, of Peabody, was arrested near 75 School St. and charged with operating after suspension of his license after the recycling truck he was driving struck and sheared a utility pole.

Thursday, Dec. 1 - At 6:42 a.m., Luis A. Alicea, 31, of Lawrence, was arrested on River Street and charged on a Lawrence police warrant.

At 6:12 p.m., Elizabeth W. Deyo, 63, of North Andover, was arrested on Railroad Street and charged with operating under the influence (alcohol) after she was involved in an accident near the train station.

Friday, Dec. 2 - At 1:32 a.m., James P. Prior, 34, of Windham, N.H., was arrested on North Main Street and charged on a state police-Holden traffic warrant.

Saturday, Dec. 3 - At 1:21 a.m., Edward Jillett 3rd, 23, of Billerica, was arrested on River Road and charged with operating after suspension of his license, operating after his registration was revoked, uninsured and a red light violation.

Tuesday, Dec. 6 - At 4:39 a.m., David Ross, 18, of 77 Memorial Circle, was arrested on Memorial Circle and charged with being a disorderly person.

Joshua Hancock, 17, of 21 Memorial Circle, was arrested with Mr. Ross and charged with possession of a class-D substance (marijuana).

Wednesday, Nov. 30 - At 7:24 a.m., a woman reported a young boy was carrying a shotgun on Chestnut Street. An investigating officer

reported taking a BB gun away from a student.

At 7:48 a.m., a woman reported a body in the woods near 329 River Road. Police reported it was an intoxicated man sleeping.

Thursday, Dec. 1 - At 4:19 p.m., a woman reported being slapped at Greater Lawrence Technical School on River Road.

At 5:59 p.m., a woman reported a baby deer was struck by a car and killed on South Main Street.

Friday, Dec. 2 - At 2:49 p.m., damage to

property was reported on Balmoral Street.

At 7:03 p.m., a 209A restraining order was served to a man on Brookside Drive.

At 7:13 p.m., a 209A restraining order was served on Colonial Drive.

Saturday, Dec. 3 - At 3:42 a.m., three males stopped on Magnolia Avenue were found to be carrying screwdrivers and a radar detector. Police retained the radar detector.

At 7:56 a.m., a 209A restraining order violation was reported on Buxton Court.

Sunday, Dec. 4 - At 12:07 a.m., a York Street resident complained that the Brickstone Square Christmas tree lights were still on.

Tuesday, Dec. 6 - At 6:20 p.m., a Juliette Street woman reported three young men just tried to steal her

Christmas decorations and assaulted her son with a piece of metal, cutting his ear. The three youths ran off toward the Sylvester Street area in Lawrence.

Tuesday, Dec. 6 - At 2:32 p.m., Andover officers assisted state police with the pur-

suit of two men who bailed out of a car near the Internal Revenue Service Center building on Lowell Street. State police captured the pair.

ACCIDENTS

Tuesday, Nov. 29 - At 6:12 a.m., a car was reported off the road

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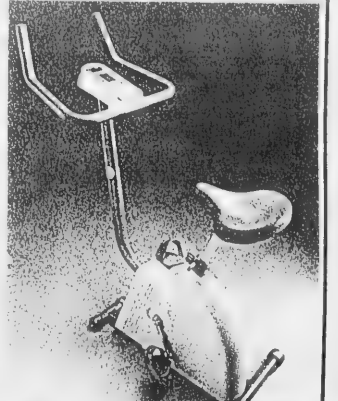
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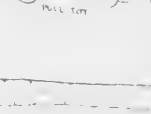
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and against a utility pole near 185 Abbot St.

At 7:28 a.m., an accident was reported near 75 Red Spring Road.

At 7:44 a.m., a car struck a pole near 347 River Road.

At 12:24 p.m., an accident was reported in front of McDonald's Restaurant on North Main Street.

Wednesday, Nov. 30 - At 6:22 p.m., an accident was reported near 350 Lowell St.

Thursday, Dec. 1
At 5:15 p.m., a pedestrian accident was reported on North Main Street near Route 495, Shirley Belloir, of 5 Smithshire Estates, was driving north on North Main Street when she struck Jennifer Ortiz, 15, of Ayer Street, as Ms. Ortiz crossed the road from west to east. Ms. Ortiz was dressed all in black, according to police. She was taken to Lawrence General Hospital where she was treated and released. Ms. Belloir was not cited.

At 6:04 p.m., a hit-and-run accident was reported near 4 Elm St. A light-colored station wagon with heavy front-end damage left the scene.

Monday, Dec. 5 - At 7:55 a.m., an accident was reported near 185 N. Main St.

At 1:08 p.m., an accident was reported near 120 Lowell St.

Tuesday, Dec. 6
At 6:53 a.m., no injuries were reported after a car struck a bicycle near 60 Osgood Street.

BREAKS

Sunday, Dec. 4 - At 5:22 a.m., a break into a guest's car was reported at the Rolling Green Ramada Hotel on Lowell Street.

THEFTS

Thursday, Dec. 1
At 12:17 p.m., a snowblower was reported taken from a residence on Elm Street.

At 4:07 p.m., an expensive pen was

reported taken from Design Design, 89 Main St.

Friday, Dec. 2 - At 8:10 a.m., a bike was reported taken from a residence on Elm Street.

Saturday, Dec. 3
At 10:48 a.m., a theft of earrings was reported by a Stinson Road resident.

At 2:53 p.m., an old plow blade was reported taken from the

parking lot at the Rolling Green Ramada Hotel on Lowell Street.

Sunday, Dec. 4 - At 5:41 a.m., a resident reported that while walking his dog on Torr Street he was followed by two men in a blue pickup truck. When he asked what they wanted they told him to hand over his wallet. The man threw the wallet to

them and they fled.

At 7:37 a.m., a pocketbook was reported stolen on Andover Street.

At 2:24 p.m., a shoplifter was reported at the Andovers Gift Shop, 4 Main St.

At 7:08 p.m., jewelry was reported missing from an office at Dundee Park.

Tuesday, Dec. 6
At 5:45 p.m., two bikes were reported taken

from a garage on Punchard Avenue.

VANDALISM

Thursday, Dec. 1
At 6:16 p.m., a van drove over a lawn and knocked down a small tree in a yard on Tewksbury Street.

Saturday, Dec. 3
At 6:17 a.m., mailbox

damage was reported on Porter Road.

At 10:16 a.m., at least six cars reportedly had their tires slashed while parked at St. Ann's Dormitory at Merrimack College.

Tuesday, Dec. 6
At 3:25 a.m., a Chestnut Street woman reported someone threw something through a window of her home. The woman went to stay at a friend's for the night.

At 10:45 a.m., a BB hole in a window was reported on Starr Avenue West.

CAR THEFTS

Tuesday, Nov. 29
At 4:52 p.m., a motorcycle reported stolen in Lawrence was recovered on Crescent Drive.

Wednesday, Nov. 30 - At 2:51 p.m., an attempted car theft was reported at the Andover Marriott on Old River Road.

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ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

THURSDAY, DEC. 8

Love, Sex and the IRS, romantic comedy performed by the Off-Broadway Players of UMass-Lowell, Mahoney Hall Auditorium, Broadway Street, 8 p.m., \$5, 934-5123.

How to Feel Good In & About Your Body, lecture by Andover resident Sue Luby for the Merrimack Valley Business Women's Network dinner meeting at Jackson's Restaurant, Methuen, 6 p.m. networking, 7 p.m. dinner; 687-0331.

Merrimack Junior Theatre holds auditions for *Bye Bye Birdie*, at Doherty Middle School auditorium, Bartlet Street, 6:15 to 9 p.m., open to students in grades 6-10, auditioners will sing *My Country 'Tis of Thee*, act out a brief monologue, and should bring a non-returnable photo of themselves; Corinne Gediman, 475-3422.

Piano concert performed by Alyssa Pappas, 1:30 p.m., during open house 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Searles Castle, 21 Searles Road, Windham, New Hampshire, 03087; (603) 898-6597.

FRIDAY, DEC. 9

Art show and sale, sponsored by the Andovers Artists Guild, at Old Town Hall, 4 to 9 p.m., free.

Holiday concert, performed by the Greater Boston Youth Symphony Orchestras, including Andover students Daniel Chen, James Chu, Amelia Lukas, Janice Chu and Benjamin Robbins,



The Treble Chorus of New England will present its annual holiday concert, *Christmas in Andover*, this Sunday, Dec. 11, at 4 p.m. at the Collins Center. Join the Treble Chorus for a holiday celebration featuring The Boston Brass, Britten's *A Ceremony of Carols*, highlights from *The Messiah* and an old-fashioned carol sing-along. For tickets, call 664-4705.

at Jordan Hall, New England Conservatory, 30 Gainsborough St., Boston, 8 p.m., \$12 adults, \$8 students and senior citizens, (617) 353-3348.

Messiah, by George F. Handel, presented by the Phillips Academy Community Chorus and the Andover Chamber Players, Cochran Chapel, Phillips Academy, 7 p.m., \$5 adults, students and seniors bring canned or non-perishable food donation, 749-4433.

Love, Sex and the IRS, 8 p.m., see entry under Thursday, Dec. 8.

Christmas Bells, performed by Heidi Rocha, 1:30 p.m., during open house 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Searles Castle, 21 Searles Road, Windham, New Hampshire, 03087; (603) 898-6597.

Merrimack Junior Theatre holds auditions for *Bye Bye Birdie*, see entry under Thursday, Dec. 8 for details.

Silent auction, sponsored by the Friends of the Andover Senior Center, in the Council on Aging room, Old Town Hall, Main Street, 4 to 9 p.m.

Seascope, at the Quannapowitt Playhouse, 55 Hopkins St., Reading, featuring Sharon Mason from Andover as Nancy, 8:15 p.m., \$10 adults, \$9 seniors and students, (617) 942-2212.

Bach's Christmas Oratorio, performed by Newburyport Choral Society, at Belleville Congregational Church, High Street, Newburyport, 8 p.m., \$15 adults, \$12 seniors and children; 462-0650.

Holiday Pops Concert, presented by the Northern Essex Community College chorus and performance ensemble, at the Gallery, Bentley Library, Haverhill, 7:30 p.m., 374-3730.

SATURDAY, DEC. 10

Holiday Open House, special exhibit in cooperation with the Andover Garden Club, at the Andover Historical Society, 97 Main St., 2 to 4 p.m., 475-2236.

Laura Seeley, Andover native named Georgia Author of the Year for juvenile literature in 1991 and 1993, signing copies of *The Book of Shadowboxes*, at Royal Discount Bookstore, Shawsheen Plaza, 209 N. Main St. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; also, Andover Bookstore, 89R Main Street, 2 to 3 p.m., 475-0143.

Seascope, 8:15 p.m., see entry under Friday, Dec. 9 for details.

Bach's Christmas Oratorio, 8 p.m., see entry under Friday, Dec. 9.

Christmas Fair and Cookie Walk, sponsored by Saint Michael Guild, at St. Michael School hall, North Andover, 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Kathy Blain, 686-4151.

Art show and sale, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., see entry under Friday, Dec. 9 for details.

Love, Sex and the IRS, 8 p.m., see entry under Thursday, Dec. 8 for details.

Carolers, performed by the Sisters of Mercy, 1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m., during open house 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Searles Castle, 21 Searles Road, Windham, New Hampshire, 03087; (603) 898-6597.

Art auction, sponsored by the Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel, 7 Haggetts Pond Road; 7 to 8 p.m. preview, 8 p.m. auction; \$7.50, 470-3091.

Silent auction, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., see entry under Friday, Dec. 9.

Holiday Open House, tours at Castle Hill, Ipswich, 1 to 4 p.m., \$7 adults, \$5 seniors and children; 356-4351.

Paul Geremia, blues guitarist, at Crossroads Coffeehouse, North Parish Church, Mass. Ave. and Great Pond Road, North Andover, doors open at 7:15 p.m., concert at 8 p.m., \$7; Debb Putnam, 474-8925.

A Ceremony of Carols, by Benjamin Britten, performed by the Portsmouth Women's Chorus, also performing six shorter pieces, at Congregational Church,

21 Front St., Exeter, N.H., 4 p.m., donation \$6, \$5 seniors and students; (603) 772-4216.

SUNDAY, DEC. 11

Lessons and Carols, service featuring the Parish Choir of Christ Church and the Bradford-Pentucket Chorale, at Christ Church, Central St., 4 p.m., free.

Christmas in Andover, program featuring the Treble Chorus of New England, The New England Conservatory String Quartet and the Boston Brass, with highlights from *The Messiah* and a carol sing-along, at the Collins Center for Performing Arts, Shawsheen Road, 4 p.m., ticket information 664-4705.

A Ceremony of Carols, at Unitarian Universalist Church, 292 State St., Portsmouth, N.H., (603) 436-4762, see entry under Saturday, Dec. 10, for details.

Love, Sex and the IRS, 3 p.m., see entry under Thursday, Dec. 8, for details.

Laura Seeley, Andover native, signing copies of *The Book of Shadowboxes*, 1 to 3 p.m., at Learning Express, 99 Rockingham Park Blvd., Salem, N.H., (603) 890-3535; also, 4 to 6 p.m. at Bookends, 559 Main St., Winchester, (617) 721-5933.

Merrimack College Christmas Concert, *Mass in D* by David Sears, performed by the Montage Chamber Singers and Pythagorean Festival Orchestra, Merrimack College, North Andover, 3 p.m., \$12 general, \$6 students and seniors; Kathleen Mushow, 837-5000 Ext. 4360.

Winter concert, presented by Brooks School, including musical numbers performed by the school's choral and instrumental ensembles, at Brooks School, Great Pond Road, North Andover, 7:30 p.m., free; 686-6101.

Scottish Minstrels, performance by Jerry and Nancy Bell, 1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.; also face-painting by Barbara Loch at 11:30 a.m., during open house 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Searles Castle, 21 Searles Road, Windham, New Hampshire, 03087; (603) 898-6597.

Bach's Christmas Oratorio, 2 p.m., see entry under Friday, Dec. 9 for details.

Andover AMC hike, at Harold Parker State Forest, 1:30 p.m., a 3-mile walk along the Harold Parker/Skug River trail, meet leader Martin Wells in parking area across from state police barracks, 470-3189.

Christmas benefit luncheon, at The Great House, Castle Hill, Ipswich, noon; also, Christmas concert in the ballroom, 2:30; Betsy Hathaway, 356-4351.

MONDAY, DEC. 12

Laura Seeley, Andover native, signing copies of *The Book of Shadowboxes*, 7 to 8 p.m., at Barnes & Noble, 125 South Broadway, Salem N.H., (603) 898-1930.

Dulcimer music players, Melanie Everand and Alouett Iselin, 11:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. during open house 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at



▲ Andover native and children's author and illustrator Laura Seeley will sign copies of her books, including *The Book of Shadowboxes* around town this weekend. This Saturday she will be at Royal Discount Bookstores, Shawsheen Plaza, 209 N. Main St., from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and at Andover Bookstore, 89R Main St., from 2 to 3 p.m. Call 475-0143.

Searles Castle, 21 Searles Road, Windham, N.H. 03087; (603) 898-6597.

Holiday brunch, sponsored by the Middle Suburban Christian Women's Club, featuring music and hula dancing by Annette Lear, at Howard Johnson Hotel, Mack Road, Woburn, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., \$7.25; reservations required, Ruth, 664-3901 or Dolly, (617) 944-2228.

TUESDAY, DEC. 13

Handel's Messiah, open sing including the traditional Christmas portion and the *Hallelujah Chorus*, presented by the Andover Choral Society, at Christ Church, Central Street, 7:30 p.m., \$4; 470-8747.

Holiday readings by Louise Pryor, 12:30 and 2:30 p.m., during open house 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Searles Castle, 21 Searles Road, Windham, N.H. 03087; (603) 898-6597.

Younger Children's Christmas Party, ages 3 to 7, featuring Acorn the Elf and Santa Claus, at The Great House, Castle Hill, Ipswich, 3:30 p.m., Betsy Hathaway, 356-4351.

Andover Community Theatre, auditions for three one-act plays, roles available for several adults, a 15-year-old girl and a 13-year-old boy, 7 p.m., at West Elementary school auditorium; auditioners may prepare a short monologue.

Holiday program for preschoolers, at Massachusetts Audubon Society's Ipswich River Wildlife Sanctuary, Topsfield, for ages 4-6 accompanied by an adult, 9:30 to 11 a.m. or 12:30 to 2 p.m., \$7 per

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▲ Blues rocker Bonnie Raitt says Paul Geremia (above) is "possibly the best blues player alive." Crossroads Coffeehouse says, "Whether carving out the Delta-style guitar licks of Robert Johnson, Leadbelly and Blind Lemon Jefferson, or crafting an original tune, Geremia inspires superlatives." He'll be at Crossroads Saturday night at 8.

ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

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child, Mass. Audubon Society members \$5; preregistration required, 887-9264.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 14

The Pike Middle School chorus, performing at Pike School, Sunset Rock Rd., 7 p.m., 475-1197.

THURSDAY, DEC. 15

Andover Community Theatre auditions, 7 p.m., see entry under Tuesday, Dec. 13, for details.

Younger Children's Christmas Party, see entry under Tuesday, Dec. 13 for details.

FRIDAY, DEC. 16

Christmas bake sale, sponsored by the Andover Baptist Church, 7 Central St., 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

SATURDAY, DEC. 17

Buffy Katz, author, signing copies of *The Best of Buffy's Bakery*; also, cookie tasting, at Andover Bookstore, 89R Main St., 2 to 4 p.m., 475-0143.

Christmas walk, sponsored by AMC/Andover, through Faneuil Hall and Bay Towers, meet at Orange Line "T" station in Malden, reservations required by Thursday, Dec. 15, Lomer Pothier, 475-5228.



▲ **Photoglyphs: Gerlovina & Gerlovin**, an exhibit portraying political tension and layered meaning, is at the gallery at Northern Essex Community College, Haverhill through Jan. 6. It is open to the public. Call (508) 374-3731.

Andover AMC plans Boston walk Dec. 17

An AMC Christmas walk will take place Saturday, Dec. 17, in Boston with "eating" stops along the way. Areas will include Faneuil Hall, Bay Towers and other locations. The group, limited to 10 people, will meet at the Orange Line "T" station in Malden. Call Lomer Pothier at 475-5228 by Dec. 15.

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SUNDAY, DEC. 18

Walk on the Ipswich River wildlife sanctuary, sponsored by the Massachusetts Audubon Society, for children ages 4-6 and their families, Topsfield, \$6 adults, \$4 children; preregistration required, 887-9264.

Evelyn M. Finnegan, author, signing copies of *My Little Friend Goes to a Baseball Game*, at Waldenbooks, Andover Center, 33 Main St., 1 to 2:30 p.m.

ONGOING Museums and Historic Homes

Addison Gallery of American Art, 1 1/4-inch Scale: Models of American Sailing Ships, each model in collection represents an authentic vessel in uniform 1/4-inch=1-foot scale, exhibit includes: *Santa Maria*, *Mayflower*, *Half Moon* and many others; two other exhibits are Philip Guston's *Poem-Pictures*, and *Within this Garden: Photographs by Ruth Thorne-Thomsen*; Tuesdays through Saturdays 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sundays 1-5 p.m., closed Mondays and national holidays; free and open to the public; Duncan Will 749-4015.

Andover Historical Society, 97 Main St.; *New Years Eve: 1945 and Gothic Revival: The Only Proper Style*, Monday-Saturday 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Wednesday until 8:30 p.m.; Amos Blanchard House and Barn Museum guided tours Monday-Saturday 1-3 p.m. and Wednesday, 5-8:30 p.m.; 475-2236.

AVIS: *A Century of Caring for the Land*, town offices, first floor lobby, Bartlet Street, open to the public during office hours, free; 470-3800.

Lowell National Historic Park, ongoing programs (closed Dec. 25 and 26, and Jan. 1 and 2):

Art of the Draftsman: 19th Century Plans and Drawings from the Proprietors of Locks and Canals, through May 15; 1 to 4 p.m., at the Park's Boot Gallery, at the 400 Foot of John St. free;

Lowell: The Industrial Revolution, multi-image slide show, Visitor Center at Market Mills, 246 Mar-



ket St., 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., free; *Working People* exhibit, Visitor Center, Wednesday through Sunday, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., free; *Boott Cotton Mills Museum*, weave room and interactive exhibits, 400 Foot of John St., weekdays 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m., \$3 adults, youths 6-16 \$1, senior discount, children under 5 free; 970-5000.

New England Quilt Museum, holiday quilt exhibition, "Celebrations of the Season," also, antique quilts in the museum period rooms, at 18 Shattuck St., Lowell, through Saturday, Dec. 31; Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday noon to 4 p.m.; \$3 adults, students and seniors \$2; 452-4207.

Parson Barnard House, 179 Osgood St., North Andover; Tuesday and Thursday, 2-4 p.m., second and third Sundays 2-4 p.m., tours start at Historical Society, 157 Academy Road, North Andover, Johnson Cottage tours Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to noon, 2-4 p.m.; admission to

Parson Barnard \$2 adults, \$1 seniors and children, combined Cottage and Parson Barnard admission \$3.50 adults, \$2 seniors and children, free to Society members; Carol Majahad 686-4035.

Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology, *Corn Hills on Cape Cod: Archeological Investigations at Sandy's Point*, Yarmouth, Massachusetts, through Dec. 17, Phillips Academy, Tuesday through Friday noon-5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; free and open to the public; 749-4490.

Art Exhibitions

1 1/4" Scale: Models of American Sailing Ships. Addison Gallery of American Art, Phillips Academy; models represent authentic vessels in uniform 1/4-inch=1-foot scale; through Jan. 15; two other exhibits are Philip Guston's *Poem Pictures* and *Within this Garden: Photographs by Ruth Thorne-Thomsen*, Tuesdays through Saturdays 10 a.m.-5 p.m.,

Sundays 1-5 p.m., closed Mondays and national holidays; free and open to the public; Duncan Will 749-4015.

A Day in the Life: Living With HIV/AIDS, exhibit of photographs presented by the Boston Living Center, at the Laura Knott Art Gallery, Bradford College, 320 S. Main St., Bradford; Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday 1 to 6 p.m., through Sunday, Dec. 18, free and open to the public.

AIDS photo exhibit, at Governor Dummer Academy, Byfield, by photographer Loel Poor, exhibit divided into three photographic essays: *Memories of Eddie*, *Living with AIDS: Women and Men Living with AIDS*, *The Challenge Continues*; *Out From the Shadows*, *Adolescents and Children Living with AIDS*, through Dec. 9, 465-1763.

Denise D'Amato, photographs on display at Perfection Framing, 213 Rockingham Road, Londonderry, through December, Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Valerie Little (603) 434-7939.

Earl Parent, exhibition of paintings at Shawmut Bank, Shawshen Plaza, through December.

Latino Life, exhibit featured in the atrium gallery at Northern Essex Community College's Lawrence Campus, 45 Franklin St., through December, 374-3862.

Main Street by Dorothy Piercy, Ford's Coffee Shop mural, is being restored and will be on view in the lobby of town offices, send donations for restoration to Ford's Mural Fund, Andover Historical Society, 97 Main St.; 475-2236.

Photoglyphs: Gerlovina & Gerlovin, exhibit portraying political tension and layered meaning, at the gallery at Northern Essex Community College, Haverhill, through Jan. 6, open to the public every Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m., 374-3731.

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The petting zoo at Santa's Village at Brickstone Square. Santa's Village is open every weekend through Christmas Eve, Dec. 24.

ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

Volunteers: leaves for the Friday afternoon concerts of the Boston Symphony Orchestra from the corner of Phillips and Main streets, 10 a.m. Fridays; information may be obtained from Carol Leavitt or Sarah Warren of Andover.

A Christmas Carol, at North Shore Music Theatre, 62 Dunham Road, Beverly, from Dec. 9 through Dec. 23, call for times and prices, 922-8500.

A Christmas Carol, at Theater in the Open, at Maudslay State Park, Newburyport; Thursdays through Sundays, Dec. 15 through Jan. 1; \$10 adults, \$8 children; call for times, 465-2572.

Frosty Follies, dinner show and dancing, through Dec. 18, at the Playhouse Dinner Theatre, 194 Main St., Amesbury, call for times and prices, 388-9444.

Sorry! Wrong Chimney! at Giordano's Starlite Dinner Theatre, Route 97, Georgetown, Dec. 1-18, call for times and prices, 352-7300.

Meetings

Parents Anonymous, meets weekly in Haverhill, Lowell, and Lawrence; no fees or dues; 1-800-882-1250.

Mother of Twins Club, monthly general meeting, Saugus YMCA, 298 Main St., Saugus, 7:30 p.m.; Allene Crusco (617) 245-3556 or Katie Monahan 664-4545.

Parents, Families, and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, Merrimack Valley Chapter, monthly meeting, at the North Parish Church, 190 Academy Road, North Andover, 7:30-9:30 p.m.

Amnesty International, Merrimack Valley Chapter; meets every second Tuesday of the

month, in room 310 on the 3rd floor, Merrimack College Library. **Shakespeare reading group,** meets on the first and third Wednesday nights each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Activities room, Memorial Hall Library; bring copy of *The Taming of the Shrew*; Douglas Buchanan 474-0332.

Square-dancing, every Monday; Amvets Hall, Primrose Street, Haverhill; 8 p.m., Grace 373-3932, Eddie 774-7266.

Israeli folk dancing, lessons weekly, Temple Emanuel, Sundays, 7 p.m., \$3; Orit Goldstein 475-3133, or Merrimack Valley Jewish Federation 688-0466.

Greater Lawrence Camera Club, Wednesdays, Trinitarian Congregational Church, 72 Elm St., North Andover, 7:30 p.m.; Faith Morgida 687-2377, Richard Morton 664-3140.

Activities Network, Merrimack Valley chapter, all-social recreational organization for active single adults, 25 and older; Wednesdays, 8 p.m.; Steve Regan 352-6987.

Parents without Partners Minuteman Chapter #817, Newcomers orientation meeting, second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Royal Hawaiian Restaurant, 34 Cambridge St. (Route 3 south),

Burlington, 7:30 p.m.; 667-6834 or Sharon Johnson (617) 272-8785.

Valley Folk Dances, United Presbyterian Church, 96 E. Haverhill St., Lawrence; Friday, 7-9 p.m.; \$2, \$1 for students; Kathy Moyes 682-9159.

Writers' group, Northern Essex Community College library, Elliot Room, every Thursday, 7 p.m.; free; (603) 898-4332.

Merrimack Valley Chapter of Embroiders Guild, third Tuesday of the month, Lee Oulette 458-6183 or Jane McCord 942-1349.

Amnesty International Group, second Tuesday of the month, Merrimack College library, 7:30 p.m.; Debbie 683-0737.

AIDS Action of Andover Mothers

Group, for mothers and other family members of people who are HIV-positive or who have AIDS, meets twice a month; call AIDS Action of Andover for information 470-2622.

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Children

Playful People, non-profit drop-in playground; meets weekly at the Trinitarian Congregational Church, 72 Elm St., North Andover; meets every Thursday, 9:30 to 11 a.m.; \$1 donation per mom or dad or caregiver, \$1 for each child over 9 months; Joanie Burke 474-0383.

Family Day at the Tsongas Center, Boott Cotton Mills Museum, 400 Foot of John St., Lowell, 2 p.m., every Sunday, \$2 per person age 6 through adult, 970-5080.

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Phillips will sponsor its seventh annual benefit holiday concert Friday

The Phillips Academy music department will sponsor its seventh annual benefit holiday concert Friday, Dec. 9, at 7 p.m. featuring excerpts from *Messiah*, an oratorio by George Frideric Handel, and *Gloria* by Antonio Vivaldi. The concert is given in support of Neighbors in Need, a food pantry in Merrimack Valley and Greater Lawrence Habitat for Humanity. The program, under the direction of William Thomas, will take place in Cochran Chapel, Chapel Avenue, on the PA campus.

Neighbors in Need prepares meals-in-a-bag to be distributed daily at different locations throughout the Merrimack Valley area. Its main objective is

to respect each person and share what has been given. Non-perishable food donations will be taken as admission to the concert. The four food categories are canned protein foods (fish, meat, stews, soups), canned fruits and vegetables; and grains (dried beans, rice, pasta, oatmeal).

Habitat for Humanity is an ecumenical housing partnership committed to building

affordable homes and communities. The houses are built with volunteer labor and sold to selected families with no-interest loans. Nine

years in Greater Lawrence and 10 years in the Northeast, the national organization is more than 18 years old. Former President

Jimmy Carter is its most visible spokesperson. The Greater Lawrence Habitat group has just finished its 16th home and has four

additional homes under construction. The Phillips Academy Community Chorus is made up of PA faculty and staff and friends

throughout the Merrimack Valley and Boston area. The Academy Chamber Players are PA faculty and staff and professional musicians from the Merrimack Valley, Boston and North Shore areas.

The public is invited to support this benefit.

General admission is \$5; senior citizens and students may be admitted with nonperishable or canned food donations.

Community Messiah sing is Tuesday night

The Andover Choral Society invites all community members to participate in an open sing of Handel's *Messiah* on Tuesday, Dec. 13, at 7:30 p.m. in Christ Church on Central Street.

The program will include the traditional Christmas portion of the *Messiah* and the *Hallelujah Chorus*. Andover Choral Society music director Allen Combs will conduct the

program and is the tenor soloist. Other featured soloists include soprano Suzanne Dimmock, who has performed with Phillips Academy, Andover Choral Society and the Andover Town Hall Concert Series.

Participants may bring their own scores or borrow scores at the door. Admission is \$4. For information call 470-8747, or (617)944-4591.


Annual Christmas bird count

Merrimack Valley Bird Club is looking for people who have active birdfeeders to keep a tally of their feeding birds Saturday, Dec. 17, (rain date, Dec. 18) as part of the nationwide census of wintering birds. Feeders should be observed for about two hours at various times during the day.

Mrs. Gene Ballard will accept the results during that day at 475-4979. For more information, call bird count leaders Joe Hogan at 689-7628, or Al Retelle, at 474-4412, after 5 p.m.

The deadline for news & info for the next issue is 5 p.m. Monday, Dec. 12.

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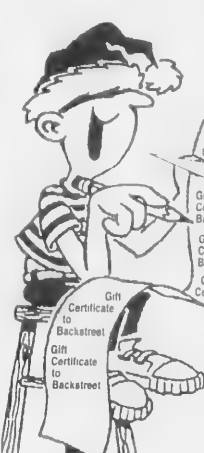
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Music students perform in Snowfest recitals

The Merrimack Valley Music Teachers Association sponsored Snowfest Recitals at Memorial Hall Library on Sunday, Dec. 4. Thirty-three music students from throughout the area participated in the recitals. The students selected by local music teachers performed on flute,

piano and violin. Those from Andover include: Matthew Rotman and Jia Jung, taught by June Persing; Adzea Lee, Eliza Roberts and Sophie Lam, taught by Leonard Mironovich; Jonathan Wang, Paul Lam and Yauvana Venkataraman,

taught by Eugenia Mironovich; Kellen Affleck, Katherine Yao and Caroline Yao, taught by Linda Shen; Dana Swartz and Nathan Ruiz, taught by Jody Brickman; and Daniel Rosensweig, Laura Hoffmann and Kathleen Bader, taught by Ann Bader.

The MVMTA will sponsor a January meeting for teachers to exchange ideas about materials to use to teach music theory. For more information about the organization, call Ann Bader at 470-0180, or Barbara Sands at 851-2955.

Students in recital are, from left: (front) Sophie Lam, 12; Katherine Yao, 8; Dana Swartz, 10; Paul Lam, 10; Jonathan Wang, 9; (middle) Jia Jung, 13; Kathleen Bader, 12; Laura Hoffmann, 8; Daniel Rosensweig, 9; Ganesh Subramanian, 9; Eric Jurgens, 9; Eliza Roberts, 10; (back) Nathan Ruiz, 12; Kellen Affleck, 9; Yauvana Venkataraman, 16; Adzea Lee, 11; Matt Rotman, and Caroline Yao, 12.

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Consultant to be hired in superintendent search

Other towns laud Future Management

By Neil Fater

Without interviewing other firms, the School Committee has decided to hire Future Management Systems, the consultant group it interviewed last week, to help with its superintendent search.

The committee was so impressed with Future's references, that it unanimously voted to enter into negotiations with the consultant Monday night, prior to Special Town Meeting. Committee members were particularly impressed with Future's ability to attract candidates who might otherwise not apply.

Susan Dalton, School Committee secretary, told her fellow members that a member of a fractionalized, 12-member committee in Arlington had been pleased with the consulting work of Lyle Kirtman, president of Future.

"Of the finalists in the process, most of them were recruited by the consultant," said Ms. Dalton.

Lloyd Willey, School Committee member, confirmed that this also was the case during a search in Lexington. Mr. Willey said the former chairwoman of the Lexington committee told him eight of the final 10 candidates were recruited by Future.

"It couldn't possibly have been a better recommendation," he said.

"She virtually gushed with how terrific the guy was. It was just unbelievable. Then I talked to the superintendent down there and he" verified this, said Mr. Willey. "What he liked best was he was able to get a feel for the community."

Mr. Kirtman told committee members last week that because he makes sure candidates

Mark McQuillan, former Andover superintendent who was recruited by Future and became Lincoln's new superintendent, also praised the consulting company.

who come through his firm understand what the community wants, these candidates are more likely to remain in their new positions.

The typical turnover rate for a Massachusetts superintendent is 2.8 years, according to Mr. Kirtman.

Mark McQuillan, former Andover superintendent who was recruited by Future and became Lincoln's new superintendent, also praised the consulting company. He said the company was discrete and largely responsible for his decision to leave Andover.

"At one point I withdrew because I felt I couldn't leave Andover," said Dr. McQuillan. "But they were able to convey to me what the (Lincoln) committee was looking for and that there was an opportunity I should consider, that this was an opportunity I couldn't pass up."

Future will charge the schools \$5,000 \$6,000, plus an additional \$3,000 for expenses, according to Mr. Kirtman.

The Andover School Committee was going to interview two consulting firms originally, but one firm dropped out because it was already booked solid. Mary Lyman, committee member, said other consulting companies

School Committee members looked into during the last search were not considered because they have little to offer.

"They kind of pump out the same candidates time after time. I didn't think they had a very progressive idea of what a search should be," said Ms. Lyman.

Ms. Lyman said the commit-

tee likes Future because it believes the consultants will work with the community, rather than trying to assume control over the entire hiring process.

The committee is accepting letters from people interested in serving on a superintendent screening committee.

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AHS WINTER SPORTS SCHEDULE

Boys varsity basketball

December

23-28 - Greater Lawrence Christmas Festival (opponents, times TBA)

January

3 - at Wilmington, 7:45 p.m.
6 - at Methuen, 7:45 p.m.
10 - Tewksbury, 7:45 p.m.
13 - at Haverhill, 7:45 p.m.
15 - at New Bedford, 7:30 p.m.
17 - at Billerica, 7:45 p.m.
20 - Central Catholic, 7:30 p.m.
27 - Lowell, 7:45 p.m.
31 - at Lawrence, 7:45 p.m.

February

3 - at Chelmsford, 7:45 p.m.
5 - New Bedford, 3 p.m.
7 - Dracut, 7:45 p.m.
10 - Methuen, 7:45 p.m.
14 - Haverhill, 7:45 p.m.
17 - at Central Catholic, 7:30 p.m.
21 - at Lowell, 7:45 p.m.
23 - Chelmsford, 7:45 p.m.
Head Coach: Dave Fazio
Assistant Coach: Bob Hatem.

Girls varsity basketball

December

14 - Billerica, 7:30 p.m.
16 - at Lowell, 7:30 p.m.
22 - Lawrence, 7:30 p.m.
28 - Greater Lawrence Christmas Festival vs. North Andover, 6 p.m. at Methuen High
29 - Greater Lawrence Christmas Festival vs. either Methuen or Salem, N.H. (time TBA)

January

3 - at Wilmington, 6 p.m.
6 - at Methuen, 6 p.m.
10 - Tewksbury, 6 p.m.
13 - at Haverhill, 6 p.m.
17 - at Billerica, 6 p.m.
24 - Wilmington, 7:30 p.m.
27 - Lowell, 6 p.m.
28 - North Reading, 7:30 p.m.
31 - at Lawrence, 6 p.m.

February

3 - at Chelmsford, 6 p.m.
7 - Dracut, 6 p.m.
10 - Methuen, 6 p.m.
14 - Haverhill, 6 p.m.
23 - Chelmsford, 6 p.m.
Head Coach: George Sullivan
Assistant Coach: Kathy McDermott

Boys gymnastics

January

3 - at Salem N.H., 5:30 p.m.
13 - Newton North, 3:30 p.m.
17 - Newton South, 6 p.m.
20 - at Braintree, 7 p.m.
27 - Revere, 3:30 p.m.
31 - Londonderry N.H., 6 p.m.

February

7 - at Burlington, 7 p.m.
10 - Attleboro, 3:30 p.m.
14 - League Meet, at Attleboro (time TBA)
17 - State Meet, at Braintree (time TBA)
Coach: Steve Sirois

Girls gymnastics

January

6 - Billerica, 3:30 p.m.
10 - Chelmsford, 3:30 p.m.
12 - at Methuen, 7 p.m.
16 - at Dracut, 7 p.m.
20 - Wilmington, 3:30 p.m.
23 - at Tewksbury, 7 p.m.
27 - at Lowell, 7 p.m.

February

2 - at North Andover, 7 p.m.
11 - MVC Championship Meet, at Wilmington, 6 p.m.
Coach: Julie Curtis-Chapman

Boys and girls indoor track

December

12 - North Andover, 3:30 p.m. (Methuen Field House)
19 - at Methuen, 3:30 p.m.
26 - MVC Junior Varsity Meet, 10 a.m. (Methuen Field House)
31 - Boston University Invitational, 11:30 a.m.

January

7 - Northern Area Boys Freshman-Sophomore Meet (time TBA, Lowell Field House)
9 - Haverhill, 3:30 p.m. (Methuen Field House)
11 - at Phillips Academy, 3:30 p.m. (Sumner Cage)
14 - Northern Area Girls Freshman-Sophomore Meet (time TBA, Lowell Field House)
14 - Boys State Coaches Invitational, 12 noon (Harvard University Gordon Cage)
19 - Chelmsford, 4 p.m. (Lowell Field House)
22 - Girls State Coaches Invitational, 12 noon (Harvard University Gordon Cage)
23 - North Reading, 3:30 p.m. (Methuen Field House)
28/29 - Auerbach Freshman-Sophomore Meet (time TBA, M.I.T. Cage)

February

2 - at Lowell, 4 p.m.
4 - State Coaches Relays, (time TBA, at Boston University)
6 - Central boys and Masconomet Regional girls, 3:30 p.m. (Methuen Field House)
13 - Billerica, 3:30 p.m. (Methuen Field House)
18/19 - State Class Meet, time and site TBA
25 - All State Meet (time TBA, Harvard University Gordon Cage)
March
4 - Girls Eastern Regionals (time TBA, at Harvard University Gordon Cage)
11 - New England Championships (time TBA, at Harvard University Gordon Cage)

Head Coach: Art Iworsley
Assistant Coaches: Peter Comeau, Brenda Clark-Warne, Dick Collins

Boys swimming and diving

December

13 - Haverhill, 3:30 p.m.
16 - Nashua, 3:30 p.m.

January

6 - at Lowell, 3:30 p.m.
13 - Chelmsford, 3:30 p.m.
17 - Haverhill, 3:30 p.m.
20 - Nashua, 3:30 p.m.
27 - Lowell, 3:30 p.m.
31 - at Chelmsford, 3:30 p.m.

February

3 - at Haverhill, 3:30 p.m.
10 - MVC Championship Meet, 3:30 p.m., at Haverhill
17 - State Championship Meet, TBA
Coach: Mike Spring

Boys alpine skiing

All Meets at Bradford Hill

January

9 - Haverhill and Bishop Fenwick, 3:30 p.m.
11 - Masconomet and Austin Prep, 3:30 p.m.
19 - Methuen and St. John's Prep, 3:30 p.m.
26 - North Andover, 3:30 p.m.
30 - Haverhill and Bishop Fenwick, 3:30 p.m.
31 - Masconomet and Austin Prep, 3:30 p.m.

February

6 - Methuen and St. John's Prep, 3:30 p.m.
8 - North Andover, 3:30 p.m.
15 - Interscholastic Championships, 3:30 p.m.

March

1 - State Championship Meet, at Berkshire East Ski Area, Charlmont (time TBA)
Head Coach: Dick Stevens
Assistant Coach: George Walsh

Girls alpine skiing

All meets at Bradford Hill

January

10 - Methuen, 3:30 p.m.
13 - Haverhill & Masconomet, 3:30 p.m.
20 - North Andover and Bishop Fenwick, 3:30 p.m.
27 - Methuen, 3:30 p.m.

February

1 - Haverhill and Masconomet, 3:30 p.m.
7 - North Andover and Bishop Fenwick, 3:30 p.m.
15 - Interscholastic Championship, 3:30 p.m.

March

1 - State Championship Meet, at Berkshire East Ski Area, Charlmont (time TBA)
Head Coach: Dick Stevens
Assistant Coach: George Walsh

Ice hockey

Home games at Merrimack College

December

17 - at Billerica, 7 p.m.
21 - at Haverhill, 7 p.m.
27 - Christmas Tournament vs. Mar-
tian, 5:30 p.m. (Haverhill DNR)
30 - Christmas Tournament vs.
either Acron-Boxboro or Belmont
(time TBA)

January

4 - at Dracut, 6 p.m. (Janas Rink)
7 - Wilmington, 4:30 p.m.
11 - at Methuen, time TBA
14 - at Tewksbury, time TBA (Janas)
18 - Lowell, 6 p.m.
21 - Central Catholic, 5 p.m.
29 - Dracut, 4 p.m.

February

1 - Haverhill, 7:45 p.m.
4 - at Wilmington, 2:30 p.m.
(Ristuccia Expo)
7 - Tewksbury, 6:30 p.m.
11 - Chelmsford, 1 p.m.
15 - at Lowell, 8 p.m. (Janas Rink)
20 - Methuen, 1 p.m.
22 - Canton, 1 p.m.
Head Coach: Bill Cullen
Assistant Coaches: Bill Blackwell,
Ralph Quaglietta

Boys freshman basketball

Home games at West Middle School

December

16 - Lowell, 4:45 p.m.
20 - Lawrence, 4:45 p.m.

January

3 - Wilmington, 3:30 p.m.
6 - Methuen, 3:30 p.m.
10 - at Tewksbury, 4:30 p.m.
13 - Haverhill, 3:30 p.m.
17 - Billerica, 3:30 p.m.
18 - Phillips Academy, 3:30 p.m.
20 - Central Catholic, 3:30 p.m.
27 - at Lowell, 4 p.m.
31 - Lawrence, 3:30 p.m.

February

3 - Chelmsford, 3:30 p.m.
7 - at Dracut, 3:30 p.m.
8 - Phillips Academy, 3:30 p.m.
10 - at Methuen, 3:15 p.m.
14 - at Haverhill, 3:30 p.m.
17 - at Central Catholic, 4 p.m.
Coach: Paul Willis

Girls freshman basketball

Home games at West Middle School

December

16 - Lowell, 3:30 p.m.
20 - Lawrence, 3:30 p.m.
22 - at Tewksbury, 4:30 p.m.

January

3 - at Wilmington, 3:30 p.m.
6 - at Methuen, 3:15 p.m.
10 - Tewksbury, 3:30 p.m.
13 - at Haverhill, 3:30 p.m.
17 - at Billerica, 3:30 p.m.
18 - North Andover, 4:30 p.m.
25 - Phillips Academy, 3:30 p.m.
27 - Lowell, 3:30 p.m.
31 - at Lawrence, 3:30 p.m.

February

3 - at Chelmsford, 4 p.m.
7 - Dracut, 3:30 p.m.
10 - Methuen, 3:30 p.m.
14 - Haverhill, 3:30 p.m.
Coach: Jay Darrin

AHS SPORTS

Four freshman girls make varsity basketball squad

By Rick Harrison

With four hot-shot freshmen backing up two returning starters and six players with varsity experience, the 1994-95 Andover High girls basketball team hopes to challenge for the Large School Division title in the Merrimack Valley Conference this winter.

The Lady Warriors, who finished with a winning record in the league (7-6) but were 8-12 overall last season, graduated only high scorer Rachel Buonopane (157 points) from that balanced squad.

This year's 12-player varsity crew is equally young with three seniors, three juniors, two sophomores and the freshman quartet.

"We're very young," said coach George Sullivan, "but we've got good size and talent. We have excellent ball-handlers, strong outside shooting and speed in the backcourt. The guards see the floor very well, and if we can get the inside people to go strong to the hoop we could be a very successful team."

Of course, being very good in the Large School Division of the MVC often isn't enough because you're constantly bucking heads with perennial state champ Haverhill and traditional powerhouse Methuen.

"The league is so-o-o-o tough," said

coach Sullivan. "Coaches from other leagues always commiserate when they find out we play in the Merrimack Valley Conference."

Strong turnout

This year's AHS turnout was encouraging as Sullivan, new assistant Tim McCarron and junior varsity skipper Kathy McDermott greeted 31 candidates at the first day of practice. That number swelled to 60 after 29 freshmen signed up for coach Jay Darrin's ninth grade team.

Leading the varsity, which opens play next Wednesday night when it hosts Billerica in a non-conference game at the Dunn Gym (7:30 p.m.), will be senior Captains Leah Mason, Amanda Verreault and Beth Cummins.

Mason, a 5'9" forward, was an MVC All-Star last year and finished second to Buonopane in scoring with a team-high 59 field goals and 142 total points.

Verreault, a 5'8" forward, netted 91 points as a starter last season while senior 5'10" center-forward Cummins had 34 points in a reserve role.

Sophomore "Twin Towers" Sue Tully and Kristen Wysocki, both 6'2" centers, split starting time in the pivot last winter. Tully scored 85 points, Wysocki 60 and both had moments of dominance on the boards.

Tully and Wysocki have each grown

about an inch since last season.

"Tim (McCarron), who officiates games and wanted to do some coaching, is working hard with the inside people," said Sullivan.

Other returning varsity veterans are junior guard-forward Meghan Lynch (5'7") and junior forward Jen Aylward (5'8"), who scored 24 and 36 points respectively in 1993-94.

Phenomenal freshmen

Three of the four freshmen have nailed down full-time varsity berths and are battling for starting positions.

Twin sisters Sarah and Charlotte Muller, along with Laura Orlando, are all 5'6" guards.

The fourth ninth grader is forward Viki Pierce (5'7"), who will join junior forward Allyson Ahern (5'9") in splitting time between the varsity and JV teams at the beginning of the season.

A fifth freshman prospect is moving to Tennessee in a month and has decided against practicing with the Lady Warriors.

The freshmen standouts were all members of a highly-successful Andover-based traveling team that won numerous league titles, tournaments throughout New England and several Bay State Games gold medals under various names the past three years.

Their arrival on the high school varsity scene has been long awaited and anticipated.

"I think we'll do a lot of running this season," said coach Sullivan. "We're not a great set-up team offensively, but when we run we produce. Defensively we'll mix it up with plenty of half-court, three-quarter court and full-court pressure."

"The kids have worked very hard together the first two weeks," noted coach Sullivan. "It may take a half-season, or even a full year, for our young players to adjust to this level of competition. But we're excited about this group and feel we're going to be very solid for the next few years."

Schedule

Andover did well in a tri-scrimmage with Amesbury and Salem, N.H. last weekend. Other practice games are slated with North Andover and Salem, Mass.

The 19-game regular season schedule includes non-league contests against MVC Small School members Billerica (next Wednesday), Lawrence (home, Dec. 22) and Wilmington (home, Jan. 24).

AHS will also play those same three teams in league games during the campaign, and host Cape Ann League

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AHS hockey competes Saturday

The Andover High hockey team will participate in the Methuen High Jamboree this Saturday.

Coach Bill Cullen's squad, coming off an 11-8-2 season, is scheduled to face Bishop Fenwick of Peabody in a "mini-game" beginning at 1:45 p.m. at the Methuen High rink.

The Golden Warriors have already faced Woburn and Newburyport in pre-season practice games, and will wrap up scrimmage activities this Sunday afternoon at 1:30 against New Hampshire power Bishop Guertin of Nashua at Merrimack College's S. Peter Volpe Complex.

The regular season begins a week from

Saturday, Dec. 17 with a night game against Billerica at the Indians' Hallenborg Rink (7 p.m. faceoff).

Andover will also compete in Division II of the 12-team, three division Haverhill Whittier Rehab Christmas Tournament at Haverhill High on Dec. 27 and 30.

The Golden Warriors battle Marian High of Framingham in semifinal round play of the holiday tournament, Dec. 27 at 5:30 p.m. at the Haverhill DNR Rink.

The locals will be trying to avenge a 6-2 loss to Marian in the opening round of last year's Eastern Mass. Division II Tournament.

Ahern elected captain

Allyson Ahern was elected captain of the 1995 Andover High girls varsity volleyball team at the 1994 squad's party last week at the China Blossom Restaurant in North Andover. The three top awards went to Kim Daher, Leah Mason and Ann Marie Hussey. Daher was named the "Top Defensive Player," Merrimack Valley All-Conference choice Mason the "Top Offensive Player," and this year's Captain Hussey the "Top All-Around Player."

The team finished 10-10 during the regular season, winning their last two matches to qualify for the Eastern Mass. Division 1 North Sectional Tournament. Andover blasted Dorchester High 3-0 and closed at 11-11 after a 3-0 loss to Lawrence High.

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AHS track teams compete Monday at Methuen

By Rick Harrison

Andover High boys and girls indoor track coach Art Iworsley hopes this year's school-record turnout is a good omen for the two varsity squads, both of whom begin Merrimack Valley Conference dual meet action next Monday afternoon (3:30 p.m.) against North Andover at the Methuen High Field House.

"We had 99 kids show up for the first day of practice, and we've been adding about 10 more each day since then," said Iworsley.

At last count earlier this week there were 136 bodies, 79 girls and 57 boys.

Sheer numbers do not automatically mean success, however, and the locals are working hard to patch up some weak spots as the boys try to improve upon last year's 5-4 record and the girls on a 3-5-1 mark.

"We have a lot to accomplish in the first three weeks," said coach Iworsley. "That's how long we can use the Phillips Academy cage. After the first of the year it's back to the gym, school corridors and parking lots for practice."

The first of several weekend meets scattered throughout the season will be the Boston University Invitational on Saturday, Dec. 31.

Iworsley begins his sixth year as head indoor track coach and his 18th season overall with the program.

Assistants are Peter Comeau, working with the hurdlers and high jumpers, Methuen's Brenda Clark-Warne (middle and long distance runners) and Dick Collins (shot putters).

Both AHS squads traveled to Reading High yesterday for a pre-season practice meet against the perennially strong Rockets.

Andover girls

Key graduates from last year's team include hurdler extraordinaire Stacey Lavoie, middle distance standout Sarah Witman (now at UMass-Lowell), Leigh Clarke, Kelly Cronin, Sarah Goldin and Valerie Gould.

Multi-event pointscorer Rebecca Goldenberg, who moved to California, is another huge loss.

The Lady Warriors strengths this year should be in the sprints (50 and 300 yard dashes) and long distance events (mile and two-mile).

Heading the lengthy list of sprint candidates are senior three-year standouts and team Captains Jamie Barron and Amy Levesque. Both have been consistent winners in dual meet races, while Barron also competed in the long jump at several invitationals and placed fourth at the Eastern Regionals, sixth in the New England and sixth in the State Coaches.

Other returning dashwomen are juniors Randi Spiegel, Laura Burkle and Kim Young, along with senior Julie Rozopoulos.

Promising newcomers include sophomores Katie Browne, Meghan Roberts, Courtney Schmidt and Leah Sciabarrasi, along with freshmen Barbara Contos and Rachel Issenberg.

Rozopoulos also joins a 50-yard hurdles crew that includes senior veteran Carolyn Vallee, junior veteran Christine Contos and sophomore cross coun-

try standout Melissa Ying.

Superb junior runner Susan Ashlock, who prefers soccer over cross country in the fall, returns to the oval in the winter and will compete at distances anywhere from 600 yards to two miles for the Lady Warriors.

The indoor team is also denied an excellent distance runner because cross country ace Amanda Verreault plays basketball in the winter.

Other top AHS middle distance prospects are sophomore returner Abby Clarke, junior Amanda Bruno and sophomores Kolleen Cronin, Michelle Crispo, Jocelyn Gould, Becky MacDougall and Emma Nowinski.

Joining Ashlock in the long distance races will be veterans Jessica Banos, junior Ellen Buckley, junior Erin Collins and junior soccer standout Jenn Munroe.

Top freshman prospects are Katherine Blais and Nikki Winters, both of whom ran well in cross country this fall.

The high jumpers are Vallee, Munroe, sophomore Erin Harris and sophomore Gwen Schmuhl.

Lady Warrior shot putters include senior Nicole Brooks, junior Sarah Kaleel and freshmen Christie Cunningham and Michelle Mills.

Andover boys

Graduates from the 1993-94 team included Max Dawson, Rob Weisman, Rick Crispo, Rob Lane and Chris Stamm.

The solid group of returning veterans is led by junior Charlie Russo and senior Captains Kevin Shepard, Jon

Hall, Matt Ely and Mark Adams.

Those five are all middle or long distance runners. Hall doubles as a high jumper and each member of the quintet alternates in the mile relay.

Because of depth, the middle and long distance races are where the Golden Warriors main strengths lie.

In the sprints (50 and 300) the AHS boys return senior Mike Marcinonis and junior Josh Hatch, both of whom scored consistently last year.

They'll be joined by seniors Max Soong and Matt Perrault, juniors Eric DeMarco, Mike Scarpulla and Kevin Costello, and freshman Dave McDon-

ald. Junior Mike Shaughnessy, coming off a strong football season, is expected to do well in the hurdles. He'll be joined in that event by DeMarco and sophomores Peter Ellis and Nathan Coates.

Shepard and Ely, both of whom were undefeated in dual meet races last year and were named MVC Large School All-Stars, head the 600- and 1000-yard crew that also boasts Hall, senior Greg Foltz, juniors Aaron Bancroft and Jeff Issenberg, and sophomore Matt Herling (recovering from bronchitis).

All-Conference selection Russo, and Adams lead the mile/two-mile corps.

They are bolstered by seniors Chris Fromme and Eskinder Graham, juniors Leo Blais, Manfred Caranci, Tim Kearns, Marc Menchel and sophomore Matt Bausemer.

Hall, Ely and Marcinonis are the top high jumpers, while the shot put crew includes junior Andy Lynch, Scarpulla and sophomore Jeff Arleque.

Four freshman girls earn AHS varsity basketball status

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schools at North Reading on Jan. 28.

The Lady Warriors will compete in the annual four-team Greater Lawrence Christmas Festival, which they have won in the past.

Andover battles defending tourney champ North Andover in the opening

semifinal round on Dec. 28 at Methuen.

The team faces either Salem N.H. or Methuen in either the championship or consolation game the following night.

In nine seasons as AHS girls varsity hoop coach, Sullivan has compiled a .700 winning percentage while producing seven tournament qualifiers.

He also coaches boys and girls vol-

leyball.

Before accepting the girls hoop job, Sullivan had prior stints with the boys JV, freshman and junior high (7th-8th grade) basketball teams.

Two years ago the Lady Warriors finished 13-8 with Kerry Hagerty, Lindsay Sweeney, Beth Everett and Marcia Gemmell leading the way.

Teams need only win 50 percent of their games this winter to qualify for post-season tournament play.

Coach Sullivan feels Methuen will be the team to beat in the MVC Large School Division this year, with Haverhill, Andover and Chelmsford close behind.

Phillips Academy water polo team dunks Exeter at New England championships

By Lisa Pimentel

The Phillips Academy boys water polo team defeated arch rival Phillips Exeter (N.H.) Academy for the first time in the school's history at the New England Prep School championships held at Choate Rosemary in Wallingford, Conn.

Andover native Jeff Dwight scored two goals in the final minute of play to

give PA an incredible 6-5 victory.

This was the first-ever loss by Exeter against a fellow New England prep school. Exeter has been playing water polo for 20 years. Andover has been playing since 1985.

Andover entered the New England tournament as the fifth seed and finished as runner-ups behind champions Loomis Chaffee.

Andover lost 6-4 to Loomis. The team finished their season with a 10-5 record.

Many Andover locals were responsible for the success of the water polo team this season. Ryan Lisiak was outstanding in goal and was recognized for his efforts by making the New England All-Tournament team. Lisiak played in net in the first game of the

tourney and recorded eight saves in a 6-4 win. Capt. Howie Shainker also hails from Andover and native Jason DerAnanian scored a goal in the win.

Kemal Sadikoglu, a senior from Istanbul, Turkey, and junior Rush Taylor also made the All-Tournament team. Taylor was also selected as the Most Valuable Player in the New England tournament.

Todd Harris and other Phillips Academy athletes named Boston Globe MVPs and All-Stars

The following student/athletes from Phillips Academy were named *Boston Globe* All-Scholastic MVPs for their respective sports.

Jen Long, captain of girls cross-country, was first-place finisher at the New England large school meet.

Junior Darren Dinneen, first year

running boys cross country, finished first at Interscholastics and first in all but one of the team's dual and tri meets.

Senior Marcus Saskin, member of the New England championship boys soccer team, played at sweeper and led the team in assists with seven and tal-

lied two goals; in addition to Will Hench, junior midfielder; Joe McCannon, captain and senior midfielder; and William Wilson, senior forward.

The following student/athletes, all seniors, were named *Boston Globe* All-Stars: Jill Cassie, captain of girls soccer team and leading scorer; Molly

Bell, field hockey team's leading scorer; and Todd Harris of Andover, captain and receiver on the football team; Bob DiSabato, leading rusher; Cory Munsterteiger, kicker; Tyler Post and Dan Kiewlich, offensive line; Jim MacDonald, defensive line; and Mike Siciliano, quarterback.

YOUTH HOCKEY

Andover Mite A team wins Heseltine tourney

The Andover Mite A Hockey team hosted the Scott Heseltine Mite A Invitational Hockey Tournament Nov. 25-27 at the Smith Rink on the Phillips Academy campus.

This annual tournament is dedicated in memory of Scott Heseltine.

He was a long-time participant in Andover Youth Hockey, who died in a car accident in 1982 while a student at Austin Prep.

Mite A teams from Cambridge, Masconomet, North Andover, Newburyport, Melrose, Methuen and Reading participated.

On Friday, North Andover beat Melrose 5-2; Andover beat Reading 6-1; Cambridge beat Masco 5-4; and Newburyport beat Methuen 4-2.

Steve Johnson scored five goals and Andrew Christopher added the fourth on a goal-mouth tip courtesy of Sean Wadland's feed from the point.

On Saturday, Melrose beat Reading 3-2; Andover nosed out an excellent North Andover team 3-2; Masco bettered Methuen 3-2; and Newburyport beat Cambridge 3-1.

Andover's goalie Vinny Monaco stopped more than 30 shots in a game where North Andover had a considerable territorial edge in play.

Steve Johnson collected a hat trick with assists going to Joe Costello and Chas Gurry.

On Sunday, Reading beat Methuen



The Andover Mite A hockey team won the Heseltine Trophy at the Scott Heseltine Mite Invitational Tournament, Thanksgiving weekend at Phillips Academy. John Christopher and Joe Wadland coach this team.

5-3; North Andover beat Cambridge 8-2 to garner third-place in the tournament; and Masco beat Melrose 4-3.

Andover and Newburyport squared off in the final tournament game on Sunday to determine the winner of the Heseltine Trophy for 1994.

Steve Johnson opened the first-period scoring on a perfect centering pass

from Dennis Collins. Dennis, a call-up from the Mite B team, dug the puck out of the offensive corner and fed Johnson uncovered in the slot. Johnson beat Newburyport's goalie with a shot to the far side of the net. During the second period, Steve Johnson made it 2-0 as he finished a nice rush following a neutral zone faceoff.

Andover's defense led by Mark Boilard, another call-up from the Mite B team, Tommy Cahill, Chas Gurry, and Sean Wadland continued to thwart Newburyport's offensive rushes with their aggressive checking and defensive zone coverage.

During the latter stages of the third period, Newburyport made it a 2-1 game.

Vinny Monaco, Andover's goalie, made a couple of key saves after Newburyport pulled their goalie for an extra skater.

Brian Buckley iced the game with an empty-net goal on a feed from Dwight Feeney and Andover held on for the victory.

Andover's forward lines, who played extremely well during the first two tournament games, played their best game of the year in the championship game: Brian Buckley, centering for Joe Costello, and James MacDonald and Jamie Waters, centering for Matt Miller and Ben Hoerner, Steve Johnson, Andrew Christopher, Dwight Feeney and Dennis Collins. John McCarthy and Ryan Nadelson, two key Mite A players, were away for the Thanksgiving holiday.

George Heseltine and his sons, Charlie and George, gave runner-up trophies to the Newburyport team and the Heseltine trophy and individual first-place trophies to the Andover team.

Andover PeeWee A hockey team takes Peabody, 9-3

The Andover PeeWee A hockey team downed Peabody 9-3. Pat Dunn had three goals and two assists, Matt Santos, three goals and Jason Swift, two goals and one assist.

Andover took the lead three minutes into the game as Swift's shot on net was tipped in by Dunn.

Andover scored three times within 76 seconds in the middle of the game. Swift started it by drawing the faceoff to defenseman Brian Wittbold who fired a rocket from the blue line that Swift got back in front to tip it upstairs. Mike Murphy shook off two defenders to find Santos in the slot who rifled it home. Sixteen seconds later, Dunn, from his knees behind the net, found Murphy on the doorstep and he picked the right corner. With one minute left

in the period, Murphy setup Dunn in the slot to end the first period 5-1.

Andover had two goals in the second period as Dunn found Swift in front for a goal and Matt Busby sent Santos away on a breakaway.

In the third period, Dunn took the faceoff at center ice and beat the defense to complete a hat trick.

Busby, who had three assists in the game, sent Santos away on a breakaway to notch a hat trick.

The defense of Jon Feeley, Chris Weiner, Geoff Schwarz and Brian Wittbold kept Peabody pinned in their end, stifling almost every rush.

In other Valley League action, the Warriors edged first-place Methuen 4-3.

Jason Swift tied the game with a minute left in the period on an out-

standing pass play from Jack Wittbold and Jon Ofria. Chris Weiner scored the second goal with an assist from Shawn and Mike Murphy.

Methuen tied it up to send the contest into the third period dead even. Mike Murphy had an unassisted goal as he out-hustled the Methuen team for a 3-2 lead.

Methuen tied it and with two minutes left in the game, Jeff Schwarz sent Murphy down the right wing to cut in to put Andover in the lead.

Goalies Chris Salini and Matt Beechinor jointly handled 16 saves.

Andover and Winchester played to a 4-4 tie in a Dual State League action. Andover took the lead on first-period goals by Matt Santos, assisted by Murphy, and an unassisted goal by

Chris Weiner as he stole a pass inside the blue line and blasted a shot by the goalie. Winchester pulled to within one, but regained the two-goal edge with two seconds left in the period as Dunn found Anthony Costello in front and Costello picked the right corner quickly. Twenty-five seconds into the third period Murphy scored and unassisted goal.

Winchester rallied with a power play goal and followed with two others to gain the 4-4 tie.

Andover penalty killers were short-handed eight times in the game with outstanding play by Sean Murphy, Jon Ofria and defensemen Schwarz and Jon Feeley.

Goalies Beechinor and Salini played a strong game.

West Elementary School students shoot baskets for Easter Seals program

Young people from West Elementary School shot baskets to help people with disabilities at a recent Boston Celtics-Easter Seal Basketball Shoot-Out in the school gym.

Shooting baskets for three minutes, 35 students raised \$1,447 to fund Easter Seal services.

Doug Powers contributed the most, raising \$144.

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All money raised in the shoot-out supports local Easter Seal services for men, women and children with disabilities.

Easter Seals programs helped by the shoot-out include summer camp, home health care, physical, occupational and speech therapy, equipment loan, therapeutic swim programs and support groups for people recovering from strokes.

Also included are technology for independence, and information and referral services.

Wilmington Skating Club celebrates 25th anniversary

The Wilmington Figure Skating Club, celebrating its 25th anniversary, will present its 1994 Winter Clinic and Charity Exhibition Wednesday, Dec. 28, at 7 p.m. at the Ristuccia Exposition in Wilmington.

It will be directed by two-

time U.S. Olympic competitor Christopher Bowman and feature area skaters of all ages and ability levels.

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NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that a certain instrument be probated purporting to be the last will of said deceased by BARBARA A. ALLARD of Billerica in the County of Middlesex praying that she be appointed executrix thereof without giving a surety on her bond, and to the ATTORNEY GENERAL of said COMMONWEALTH.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Salem on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on January 3, 1995.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16. Witness, Thaddeus Buckzo, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Salem, the twenty-ninth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety-four
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The following is a list of properties in Andover that sold from Nov. 18 to Nov. 25:

1 Russell D. Quimby bought **4 Dartmouth Road, Lot 30**, for \$165,500 from Henry M. Eppich. The mortgage is with Hunneman Mortgage Corp.

2 Henry M. Eppich bought **46 Wild Rose Drive, Lot 136**, for \$249,900 from Edwin F. Ruskin. The mortgage is with Cambridge Savings Bank.

3 Timothy David Holmes bought **Unit D-33 Colonial Drive** for \$30,000 from Colonial Drive Corp. The mortgage is with Bank United of Texas FSB.

4 Steven D. Scherwatzky bought **17 Washington Ave.** for \$216,000 from Jeffrey D. Jeep. The mortgage is with Olde Towne Mortgage Co. Inc.

5 North Andover Realty Corp. bought **20 Ballardvale Road, 2 PCLs**, for \$375,000 from Walter R. Johnson.

6 Stephen P. Lannan Jr. bought **17 Acorn Drive, Lot 52**, for \$800,000 from Yvon Cormier Construction Corp. The mortgage is with Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co.

7 Robert E. Sullivan bought **276 Andover St., Lot B**, for \$409,900 from Robert R. Benedict. The mortgage is with First Essex Bank, FSB.

8 Robert J. Yurko bought **6 Atwood Lane, Lot 12**, for \$49,151 from GAP Trust. The mortgage is with Great Western Mortgage Corp.

9 Julie A. Gerschick bought **7 Carriage Hill Road, Lot 13**, for \$248,000 from Janice C. Caffray. The mortgage is with Bay State Federal Savings Bank.

10 Robert J. Lothrop bought **70 Porter Road, Lot B**, for \$329,000 from Nancy Daniels. The mortgage is with Salem Five Mortgage

11 Windham Realty Limited Liability Co. bought **12 Haverhill St., PCL C**, for \$152,229.30 from Lease & Rental Management Corp.

12 Pamela J. Smith bought **Unit 19, 28 Michael Way** for \$130,000 from Gretchen N. Stock. The mortgage is with Andover Bank.

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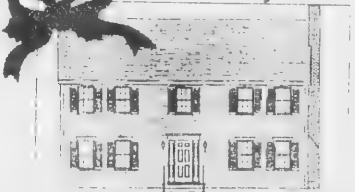
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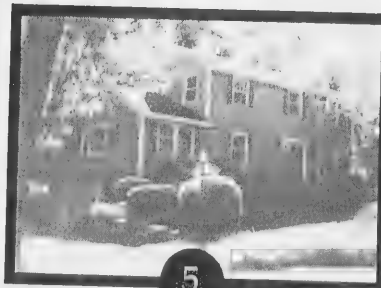
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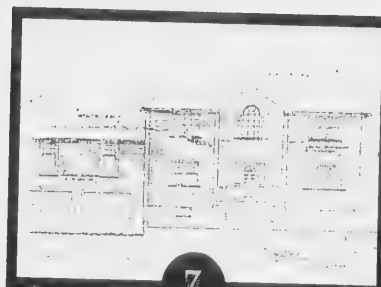
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Mary-ellen's concentration on marketing new subdivisions includes complete guidance through the entire process, from lot selection and development, to design and implementation. Mary-ellen puts her education and experience to work for her buyers and sellers.

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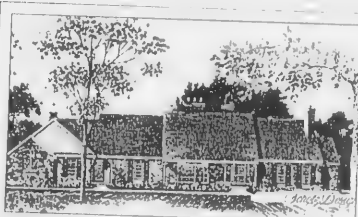
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NORTH ANDOVER - Great three family in nice neighborhood, three car detached garage, large side yard. **\$139,900**



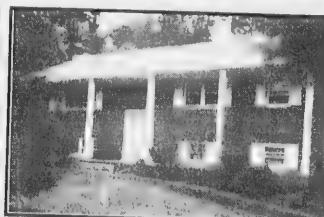
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ANDOVER - Wonderful three bedroom Cape with great backyard! New gas hot water heating system, new windows, new carpets, new ceilings, freshly painted. Partially finished lower level. Close to highways and town. Must be seen to be appreciated! **\$167,900**



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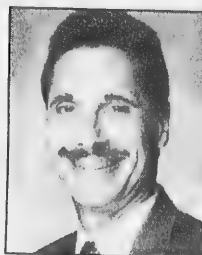
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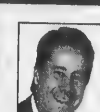
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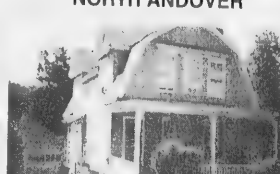
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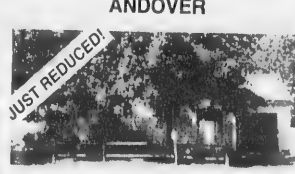
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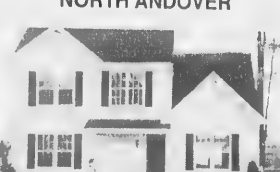
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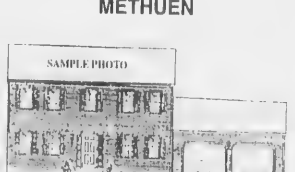
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South Incorporating building project into the curriculum

By Neil Fater

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former South teacher who was on hand for the ceremony.

"It was a very reasonably built school," said Ms. Maynard. "I think it's about time it got a reasonably good face lift."

During the school assembly, a group of fourth-graders entertained the crowd with a song about construction, and Priya Sridhar read "My School," a poem the fourth-grader wrote at home. Although most of the poem is highly accurate, the addition of playground equipment is not technically part of the building project.

Because the building committee cut \$50,000 for playground equipment from the South budget, a school playground committee is trying to raise the necessary funds.

With the South School construction project now underway, educators are faced with the challenge of limiting distractions and keeping students out of danger.

"I want to be very pro-active to any safety issues. Learning and safety are the highest priorities for me," said Eileen Woods, principal.

However, Ms. Woods and her staff also want to prevent the construction from having a negative impact on education, and they apparently believe one way to do that is to make the construction part of the learning process.

"One of the things that each teaching team has done is they have planned activities to integrate the project into the curriculum," said Ms. Woods. "We'd like to use it as a teachable moment."

The South staff has created a list of ideas regarding how each grade level can use the construction project in the classroom.

As part of this plan, students will listen to presentations from the Andover Historical Society regarding Andover schools and guest speakers will talk about their construction-related jobs. A member of the Conservation Commission recently discussed the importance of protecting wetlands with a fifth-grade class, said Ms. Woods.

"They (the students) have done activities already. They figured out the number of bricks in the end wall of the school using estimation in math," said teacher Stephen Jankauskas. By counting the number of bricks in a particular area, the students were



able to estimate the number in the wall.

For those playing at home, the students figure there are approximately 18,000 bricks in the wall facing Andover Street.

How else will teachers use the construction as a teaching tool?

First-graders will adopt a truck or other piece of construction equipment and draw the item and write tales about it.

Second-graders will learn work-related songs in music class.

Third-grade math and science students will construct a sturdy structure using gum drops, marshmallows and toothpicks. Each person will only have so much money to spend on "construction supplies," regardless of whether the supplies are lost, broken, or, perhaps, eaten. There's a chance students also will learn the value of a good security system as they protect their sugary struc-

Town officials, members of the School Committee and School Building Committee, parents, students, faculty and friends of the South School gathered Monday to break ground for the building project.

Lisa Adelsberger photo

tures from hungry classmates.

Fourth-grade scientists will learn about electrical circuits and try to set up lighting for a doll house. They will also dig holes in the old playing field, prior to regrading there, "to see how difficult it really is to move a lot of earth."

Fifth-graders will learn about soil analysis and talk with a number of guest speakers.

Eileen Woods will serve as School Committee liaison and will keep the committee up to date regarding the construction noise level and its impact on the curriculum.

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Lactose intolerance sufferers do not need to avoid dairy products altogether, as this Santa did in the movie's beginning. During holiday parties, heavy creams, sauces, gourmet cheeses and pastries can be enjoyed if they are consumed with natural lactase enzyme supplements, such as Lactaid. In addition, naturally aged or ripened cheeses, such as Swiss and cheddar, and dips, sauces and dressings made from yogurt or sour cream with live, active cultures are also good choices for lactose intolerance sufferers. These foods are naturally lower in lactose and therefore easier to digest.

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The owners of Royal Jewelers, 58 Main St., are proud to announce that they have sold a wrist watch. Big deal, right?

Well, it is when it's a fine timepiece. Still not convinced that it's a big deal? OK. See if this changes your mind.

The timepiece is a Breitling jeweled chronomat made of 18k gold that boasts baguette and brilliant-cut diamonds. It has an ivory-colored dial with baguette dial markers. Only three of these timepieces exist in the world. And the man who purchased it paid \$125,000. (Yes, that comma is in the right place.)

Steven Leed, who owns Royal Jewelers with his sister, Paula, and mother, Sel, has been catering to buyers of rare and unusual timepieces for many years. His clients are located all over the country and by advertising in publications such as *The Robb Report*, *Forbes* and *International Wristwatch* he is able to reach the collectors of beautiful timepieces.

"Watch collecting is unique and fun," said Mr. Leed. "Many collectors purchase between three and 12 watches per year and usually spend from \$2,000 to \$125,000 for a timepiece."

According to Mr. Leed there is not a typical profile of a person who collects watches with the possible exception that all of his clients happen to be men. Ages, income levels, occupations are varied and diversified - the one thing truly in common with these people is their love of watches.

Why watches? "People collect art and it hangs on a wall in homes where nobody sees it. People collect wine and it sits in a wine cellar. People collect coins and keep them locked up in vaults. People collect automobiles and rarely drive them because of the weather or parking problems," said Mr. Leed. "A wristwatch can be worn on a daily basis and enjoyed each time a person looks at his or her wrist. It can be enjoyed by other people as well, and many times the wristwatch becomes a conversation piece."

"Collectors of fine timepieces seek out the rare and



the unusual," Mr. Leed said. For example, some collectors look for watches that show different time zones or have strange-looking dials. One of Mr. Leed's clients is a doctor of mathematics who collects watches based on the pattern of the dial because most patterns are based on mathematical equations.

Royal Jewelers carries many lines of rare and limited edition timepieces such as Corum, RGM, Chronoswiss, IWC, and Longines Lindbergh, which was the first timepiece designed by Col. Charles Lindbergh for his first transatlantic flight.

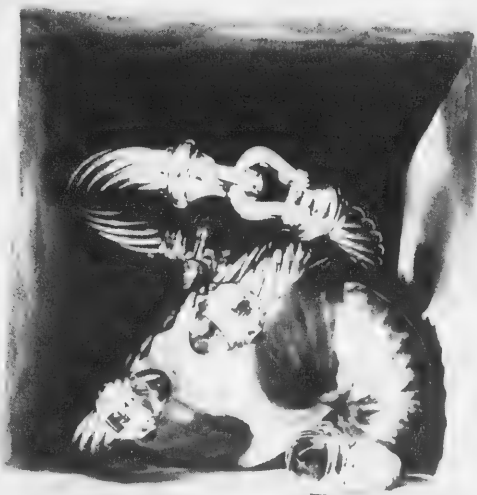
In September, Royal Jewelers hosted an event for watch collectors to view the Omega Limited Edition Speedmaster Collection. The Omega Speedmaster is the first and only watch worn on the moon and is now standard issue equipment for all of NASA's astronauts. Three versions of the watch were shown - white gold, 18k yellow gold and platinum - and 60 to 70 collectors had the option to commit to purchasing the watch of their choice. Nine watches, three of each version, are available in the United States. Omega held similar events across the country and on Dec. 12 nine names will be randomly drawn and those people will have the opportunity to own a beautiful skeleton, hand-made "Moonwatch."

"This event was successful beyond my wildest dreams," said Mr. Leed. "We sold commitments to eight platinum skeleton Moonwatches and three solid gold skeleton Moonwatches. We did more than \$250,000-worth of potential business in one night."

Watch collecting is not limited to the wealthy and can be a good investment opportunity as well. Royal Jewelers also carries less-expensive collectible watches, such as the Swatch Olympic Games Collection. Mr. Leed notes that some Swatch watches that were purchased a few years ago for \$40 are worth nearly \$10,000 today.

This skeleton, hand-made "Moonwatch" is part of the Omega Limited Edition Speedmaster Collection which recently visited Royal Jewelers.

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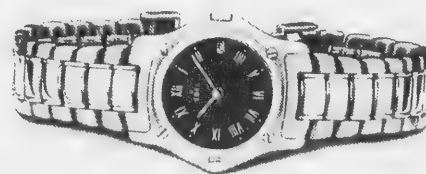
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"Many people gain from seven to ten pounds during the last six weeks of the year," said weight management expert Jenny Craig. "Generally the weight gain results from too many parties and too little exercise."

Most holiday activities feature elaborate spreads of food and refreshments. It is very easy to eat an extra 500 to 1,000 calories a day during the holiday season. A typical holiday meal can contain more than 1,200 calories and over 60 fat grams.

But diet experts are optimistic that people can enjoy the holiday season without missing parties and family get-togethers. Holiday gatherings are social events, not eating events. They advise everyone to focus on the people instead of the food. Catch up with old friends and make some new ones.

They also offer the following tips to help people manage common holiday activities that traditionally can lead to weight gain.

Cooking

Many people enjoy cooking or baking during the holidays. To avoid unwanted calories, refrain from nibbling or taste testing while cooking. Avoid cooking when you

are hungry. Try chewing sugarless gum or drinking lots of water while you are cooking, and keep the kitchen windows open to air out tempting aromas.

For hors d'oeuvres serve a few low-fat options, including raw vegetables with non-fat dip or non-fat yogurt, whole grain crackers with low-fat cheese or fruit kebabs. There are a number of exotic and unusual fruits and vegetables available during the holidays, such as sunchokes, pomegranates and starfruits.

Holiday feasts

If turkey is on the dinner menu, look for cuts of light meat instead of dark meat. Although turkey is a lean meat, light turkey meat contains ten times less fat than dark meat.

Part of the pleasure we get from holiday feasts is as much table decorations as the food itself. Instead of a table loaded with food, decorate it with flowers, fancy napkins, miniature pumpkins, gourds, decorative Indian corn, pine cones, origami turkeys, etc. Also, serve a variety of different colored vegetables and fruits with the meal.

If you are eating out for your holiday meal, try calling ahead and selecting a restaurant that features a large selection of low-fat options. Request side dressings for salads and turkey. Request that meats be grilled rather than fried. Order an appetizer as an entree or share an entree with a friend to control portion size. Ask your waiter or waitress to bring out the bread basket with your meal, not before it.

If you're dining at a friend's or relative's home, offer to bring a prepared dish. By doing so, you can ensure that at least one

low-fat option is available.

Exercise

Exercise is the most beneficial activity you can do during the holidays. Exercise not only burns calories but it reduces stress and serves as an excellent diversion from eating. Have a snowball fight, dance or take a walk with your holiday guests.

Food gifts

Many of us will receive food gifts during the holidays. You can avoid such gifts by asking your friends or relatives not to give you food. Instead of fruitcake, fudge and fancy cookies on your gift list, request packages of spice tea, herbed mustards or flavored vinegars. If food gifts arrive, immediately pass them around with others

to share, or bring them to work or school to share. You can also divide food gifts into reasonable portions and freeze.

Holiday depression

Along with the good times, the holidays can also be a little lonely or disappointing. Being away from loved ones or feeling overwhelmed by the pressure to "feel happy" can lead to emotional overeating. People can cope with these feelings by writing a holiday letter, taking a walk, volunteering at a nursing home, walking a neighbor's dog or organizing a canned food drive for the homeless.


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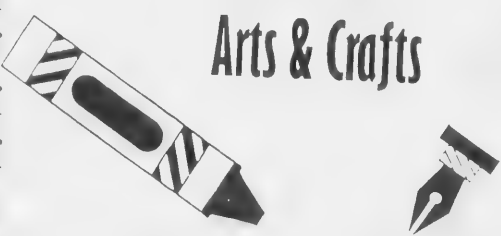
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The Butler's Pantry offers a wide array of food and gift items



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Marianne Bradley shows off one of many German nutcrackers that can be found at The Butler's Pantry. Nativity pyramids and Scandinavian figurines are also available during the Christmas season.



Standing in front of a wide selection of coffees are, from left, Margaret Murphy, Janet Annaian, Elaine Howard, Toni Weber and Marianne Bradley. They'll be happy to assist customers in selecting the perfect holiday dessert or food gift, including Godiva chocolates.



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UL warns consumers to decorate safely

It may be time to deck the halls with boughs of holly, light strings and ornaments, but safety experts at Underwriters Laboratories Inc. (UL) are advising consumers to follow manufacturers' instructions when decorating homes and yards with seasonal electrical decorations.

"Millions of people will be trimming trees, stringing lights and plugging in animated or motorized characters within the next few weeks," says Jim Beyreis, Vice President of Engineering at UL. "Whether you purchase new electrical decorations or reuse those that you've enjoyed for several seasons, it's crucial to your safety — and that of your loved ones — that you follow basic safety precautions."

Beyreis recommends that consumers keep these safety tips in mind:

- When shopping for new electrical decorations, look for the UL Mark. The UL Listing Mark means that UL's engineers and other technical experts have examined and tested representative samples of the product and determined that they comply with applicable UL requirements. UL's investigation of a product determines — among other objectives — if a product is reasonably free from foreseeable risk of fire, electric shock and related hazards.

- Before using any electrical decorations whether new or from previous seasons carefully inspect each decoration before plugging it in. Cracked or frayed sockets, loose or bare wires, and loose connections may cause an electric shock or start a fire. Replace these items with new UL Listed decorations.

- Follow the use and care instructions that accompany your electrical decorations. When it's time to store the decorations for next season, pack the instructions for future reference.

- Don't allow children or pets to play with electrical decorations. They aren't toys and could produce a deadly electric shock or cause a fire if they are misused.

- Not all light strings are designed to be used outdoors. Check the UL label. Lights bearing a green label are marked for indoor use only and should not be used outdoors. A light string bearing a red UL label may be used indoors and outdoors and will be marked accordingly. Lights used outdoors are exposed to damp conditions and extreme temperatures that may damage the decorations and cause a serious electric shock or fire unless the products are designed to withstand these conditions.

- Check the markings on your electrical decorations to determine the maximum number of light strings and decorations that may be connected together.

- If you need to use an extension cord outdoors, make sure it has a UL label marked "For Outdoor Use."

- Don't overload extension cords. Too many items on an extension cord increase the current flow through the cord and could cause the cord to overheat and start a fire. Check the wattage rating marked on the label attached to the cord. Then, add up the wattage ratings of all the products that will be operating at the same time off the

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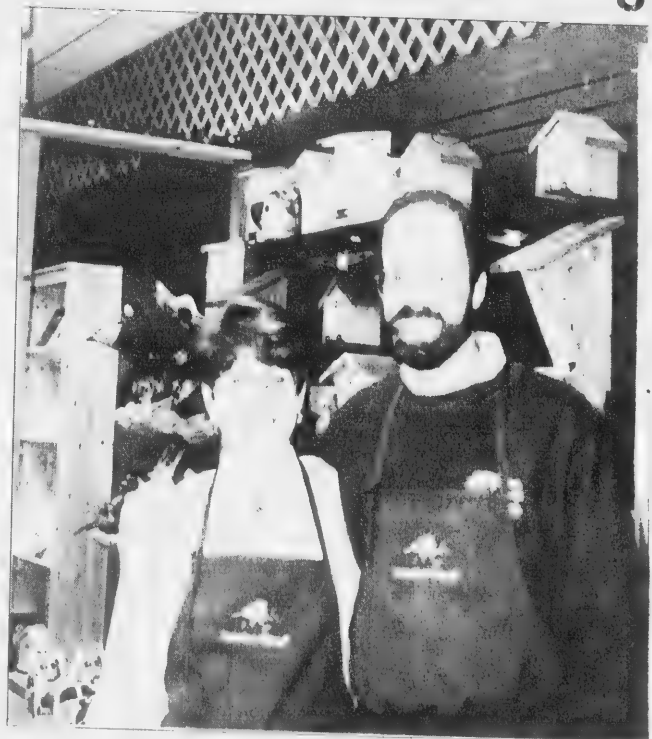
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Give little girls great new play adventures

"Sugar and spice" is nice, but inadequate to describe today's young girls. Interested in life around them, girls enjoy constructive play adventures that help them gain skills for tomorrow. That is also why children's construction toy companies have responded by creating playsets for today's girls.

According to Stevanne Auerbach, PhD, the new adventure playsets are "strategic to building imagination and providing developmental skills. This is an excellent new product and exactly what parents and girls have been asking for."

Boys have always been active, avid construction toy builders. They have naturally gravitated to building sets and enjoyed the fun of creating their own models. Conversely, most girls perceived construction toys as their brothers' toys. Construction play, Dr. Auerbach explains, is essential for girls.

Girls gain many needed skills with the new, specially-designed shapes, including eye-hand coordination, small muscle exercise and communications. The new playsets have articulated family figures, big pieces for easy building and distinctive play systems.

Here are 10 pointers on how girls can benefit by playing with the new playsets.

1. Introduce the construction toy by encouraging her to open the box to discover for herself the figures, accessories, colorful bricks, pieces and shapes.
 2. Encourage social interaction skills around the playset. Social experiences increase when sharing the playsets with friends and adults. She also gains independence and social practice when playing alone.
 3. Girls enjoy time for building and creating.
 4. They gain in their ability to observe and think as they build. These abilities apply to math, science and reading.
 5. Girls gain practical, important daily living skills with the playsets and accessories.
 6. They practice using unlimited, creative and language abilities as they make up dialogue to fit the different play experiences.
 7. Girls gain skills in observation. She may add pieces to the structure or do something completely unexpected. It is best not to limit her ideas as she builds.
 8. Opportunities with construction play adventures add greater self-esteem, confidence, and self-control.
 9. She will discover how pieces fit together. She will compare, take apart and repeat all of the fun.
 10. Girls gain knowledge and mastery plus they experience the joy of discovery.
- Dr. Auerbach points out that there are many benefits with construction play adventures that are important for the world of school, home and work. Construction toys have taken on new meaning as girls build now for their futures. They are available where toys are sold.



Autograph makes Bugs a rare rabbit

Who has long ears and big feet, is older than most of us and promises to be a hot item for holiday giving? If you guessed Bugs Bunny, you're right, Doc.

This year, Bugs is wearing a baseball uniform in a framed animation art cel. The limited edition series is signed by baseball great Mickey Mantle, which makes Bugs a rare rabbit, indeed. This is the first time Mantle has signed a piece of animation art. His signature could provide an extra carrot for collectors, since both autographs and animation art cels are highly collectible and tend to appreciate in value.

In the meantime, the baseball-playing bunny will give a Bugs or sports fan on your gift list something to smile about. Baseball Bugs, which is authenticated by Warner Brothers and Upper Deck, is offered by calling 1-800-352-1130.

Fashions for the holidays

What's the hottest fashion look for this year's holiday parties? Try the "little black dress" with an exciting new twist.

A far cry from the uninspired chemise of Christmas past, this new little black "lamp shade" dress is a form fitting panne velvet dress with a roaring 20's style fringe hem. This is one of several fringe detailed dresses in a young contemporary junior dress collection that offers a wide range of reasonably priced styles reflecting the latest fashion trends.

You don't need much to complete the look -- just sheer black hose and heels at that special cocktail soiree or holiday gathering with family and friends, even a New Year's Eve party.

A little light conversation,

If Santa hasn't gone cellular yet, he's sure to do it this year -- and his reindeer are probably going to be grateful.

Motorola has just come out with the lightest and most advanced cellular phone available today. At 3.9 ounces it weighs less than the D-cell batteries used in many children's Christmas presents.

This is good news for Rudolph because with a built-in answering machine, these items are going to be hot gifts for anyone who spends lots of time on the phone. Another popular Motorola lightweight is the lightest of the world's digital pocket phones and features Lithium Ion batteries that provide up to 45 minutes of continuous talk time or six hours of standby time.

Motorola cellular phones are available at select retailers throughout the country.

Portable copiers are great gifts

A copier that is truly portable, and is about the same size as an egg carton is now available.

At home, on the job, on campus, and on the road, a person can make high-quality, plain-paper copies wherever and whenever you need to with the new battery-powered portable copiers. No more waiting in line, fishing for dimes or trips in the car just to make a few copies.

This convenient, easy-to-use portable copier is great for copying tax records, receipts, insurance forms, applications, school papers, recipes, letters, medical records, invoices, and legal papers.

No longer will the task at hand have to be interrupted in order to find an open copier.

A pager makes a great gift

The pager boom can be epitomized by the story of a group of doctors standing near a fourteen-year-old boy. A beeper goes off. The doctors all look down at their pagers. But it wasn't theirs. It was the fourteen-year-old's.

Today, there are about 19 million pagers in use throughout the country. With families and friends now using them to stay in touch, it's estimated that by 2003 there will be 65 million pagers in use in the United States. The wide variety of fun colors and advances in beeper technology are making pagers more popular and convenient to use. Many beepers can now carry text messages on their screens, alert you with a silent vibration or broadcast a recorded message. A pager is a great gift idea to help families stay in touch. They are available at most electronic stores.

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Tips for making purchases of gold jewelry easier

Here are some important tips from the World Gold Council about gold jewelry to help make those important holiday purchases.

Karatage

• Always look for a karat mark when purchasing gold jewelry: It is usually stamped as 10K, 14K or 18K, but could also be stamped 416, 585 or 750, which are the European equivalents.

• The karat mark indicates how much pure gold a piece contains: Only karat gold jewelry is considered real gold. The system of measuring karats is based on a scale of 24, with 100 percent gold equaling 24 karats. Since 24K gold is usually considered too soft to be used in jewelry making, 14K and 18K gold is alloyed with other metals to strengthen and harden it.

• The karat mark indicates the amount of pure gold vs. other metals: An 18K gold piece is 18 parts pure gold and six parts other metals totaling 24 parts or karats. In the United States the minimum standard for karat gold is ten karat.

• If a karat mark is applied, a registered U.S. trademark is required by law: A karat mark along with a registered U.S. trademark will assure that the gold is of the specified quality.

The colors of gold

The metals added to gold (alloys) affect the color, creating different shades of gold. Most gold jewelry contains a mixture of at least two other metals which may include silver, copper, nickel, zinc, tin and manganese. The most common combinations include:

- Yellow Gold = Gold + Copper + Silver
- Green Gold = Gold + Silver + Copper + Zinc
- Pink Gold = Gold + Copper
- White Gold = Gold + Copper + Nickel + Zinc

Finishes

Following are several finishes used in the making of karat gold jewelry. Using more than one finish on a piece of jewelry has become more evident as manufacturing techniques become more sophisticated.

- High Polish: a mirror-like finish glossy, brilliant and lustrous
- Satin Finish: a finish with a fine grain running through it

- Matte: a soft, non-reflective finish

Decorations

Gold jewelry may have various designs and decorations including appliqué, engraving, chasing and embossing. Two popular designs this season are enameling and granulation:

- Enameling: Pieces of colored glass or epoxy are fused under intense heat onto the surface of the metal.
- Granulation: Perfected by the Etruscans, the art was rediscovered in the 20th century. The process entails fastening tiny gold balls, sometimes less than a millimeter in diameter, onto a larger gold surface to create patterns and designs.

Clasps

- Spring Rings: a small, circular ring that can be pulled back with a fingernail is adequate for lightweight chains.
- Box locks, lobster claw clasps or large spring rings: these interlocking catches are needed for heavier chains.
- Barrel clasp: looks like part of the chain and makes it easier to get an added pendant on and off (used on most rope chains).



A lot of parents who take their toddlers holiday shopping and to other public places are giving three cheers to the engineer who designed a device that gives them an opportunity to locate their child before he or she has gone too far. The pager-sized device, called BeepKid™, is designed to beep when a toddler moves more than 15 feet away. One unit, worn by the child, automatically sets off an alarm on the parent's unit when the child moves beyond 15 feet.

Interestingly, the product is the result of an innovative use of digital technology created for our Defense Department. Andrew Ha, president of A+H International Products, Inc. who created the device, said he thought of the idea when he left one of his golf clubs behind on the golf course. A few weeks later he went to a mall with his family and saw kids on leashes and thought, "With all the new technology around us, a leash on a kid is the best we can do?" To get more information, call 1-800-455-4345.

Bring music to life

Gifts that can bring music to life for children and adults are striking a festive chord this holiday season.

CD sets of magical fairy tales that contain a child needs to stage his or her own holiday sing-along complete with music are featured.

Cracker, Tchaikovsky holiday favorite is life by Leonard Slatkin and the Saint Louis Orchestra. It's unique gift package includes characters, stage backdrops and a colorfully illustrated storybook.

Beauty features specially commissioned artwork, bringing an added dimension to the recording of Tchaikovsky's romantic masterpiece. The cut characters in vivid costumes are particularly lovely.

They are available at area record stores.

Give that special gift

Local stores carry many items that may be just right for that special person on your list this holiday season. These tips may help you make the women in your life happy.

When it's time to relax or revive after a hectic day, she'll probably appreciate a collection of sensory bath oils—all housed in attractive glass bottles.

Perfume is a popular holiday gift, not only because it makes a great stocking stuffer but also because it's such a personal gift.

Here's a bright idea in the holiday spirit: surprise her with scented candles—especially if she's an eager entertainer.

Her outerwear will appreciate padded coat hangers covered in designer fabric and scented with honeysuckle or another popular fragrance.

Store all those gadgets in one place

Before you buy those do-it-yourselfers and hobbyists on your gift list even more gadgets, shouldn't they have something to store all that stuff in?

Tool boxes come in styles designed for everyone from serious do-it-yourselfers and trade contractors to artists and people who love to sew.

All are lightweight and built of tough industrial plastic with comfortable, recessed handles so supplies can be stored on top. They're also equipped with secure recessed latches. Metric and U.S. equivalents and conversion charts are molded in.

Some models have two storage trays that pull out as one unit for easy retrieval of small supplies like nuts, bolts or buttons. They also come in different sizes and can be handy for RV's boats, crafts, and sewing machines.

Home safety gifts are right for any age

What holiday gift is right for any age, can be used all year long and is the perfect fit for everyone on your list? How about the gift of safety?

A kitchen fire extinguisher, for instance, is the right size for a stocking stuffer, and a collection of safety devices will fit nicely in a gift basket.

You can outfit the basket with such products as a carbon monoxide detector, kitchen fire extinguisher, auto fire extinguisher, and hall and stairway smoke detector. In winter, especially, it's important to think about safety. Remember, the same cozy fire burning on the hearth can spark a dangerous blaze in just minutes. The forced air heating system that keeps your family comfortable and warm on cold winter nights can be a source of deadly carbon monoxide.



HOLIDAY GIFT GUIDE

Use this hit list for last-minute shopping

You have 10 women left on your gift list, one hour and absolutely no idea where to turn for help.

Tina Sutton, national fashion consultant offers this thoughtful holiday plan for tardy shoppers. Ready, set, go!

Gift 1. A beautiful desk pen is perfect for an assistant who's always walking off with yours.

Gift 2. Look at the collection of lapel pins, like the one featuring a house with a sold sign out front. Great for the real estate agent in the office!

Gift 3. For the boss, how about an attractive desk accessory, something useful? Try a zippered agenda book and carryall. That takes care of the office. Now for the family.

Gift 4. Sister has been going out a lot after work with her new boyfriend. A beautiful camisole in lace or charmeuse would be just the thing. She can wear one with a suit or under a sheer blouse. Perfect!

Gift 5. And little sister will love a metallic pleated scarf.

Gift 6. OK. What about Mom? She'd like the long velvet tunics, to wear with leggings, but she has so many parties to attend this year. Maybe something dressy would be better. Try a long, black, velvet vest that she can wear with a pretty blouse and pants, or under a suit.

Gifts 7. and 8. For the cute teenage nieces, there are wallets-on-a-string that can be worn instead of shoulder bags. Or there are fun, stretchy chenille gloves in the latest fashion colors. Then again, berets are hot this season.

Gift 9. For sister-in-law, there are great earrings and bracelets but you might choose the gold scarf clasp.

Gift 10. And finally, for mother-in-law, take a look at the most beautiful printed challis scarves.

That's it. Ten thoughtful gifts in one hour flat. Now you have time to shop for yourself. The jacquard pantsuit might be just the ticket.

1994 holiday video game buyers guide

With the holidays just around the corner, kids (and adults) everywhere are anxiously making their wish lists of the toys and games they have been dreaming about all year long. Chances are, video games are at the top of the list.

To those not familiar with high-tech gifts, shopping for video games may be as foreign as programming a VCR. Deciding which video games are appropriate or which games will provide the most entertainment value for the entire family can be a challenge in itself. Here are a few tips to help you buy the best video games this holiday season:

Know the facts

- Ensure that both you and your child are happy with your purchase by researching all the options ahead of time. Stop by a newsstand to brush up on your knowledge of video games in one of the many video game magazines. You'll find helpful descriptions and reviews of the latest games to hit the market.

Check the ratings

- While most kids today can play almost any video game, discretion should be used when making a purchase. Where possible, check for on-package ratings. Games are labeled from "parental discretion advised" to "appropriate for all audiences."

Consider the value

- Considering how many hours your child will play the game is key. A game that has lasting value not only has a low "cost per hour," but will keep players entertained for hours at a time.

Now that you have the basics down, there are a few more things you should keep in mind:

- Look out for fast-paced action and friendly competition.
- For a "true-to-life" video game experience, be sure to select a video game with top-notch graphics and realistic game play. Many games even use actual footage of actors and athletes.

Ladies-on-the-go holiday travel helpers

You can give the gift of a beautiful New Year this holiday season; treat a special young woman in your life to some sweet smelling soaps and a stylish, high-value cosmetic organizer to keep all her beauty accessories in.

If the lovely lady on your gift list will be heading home for the holidays, or if her travels take her on a hectic round of holiday parties, she's likely to appreciate a cosmetic organizer. Here are some helpful hints to pick the perfect organizer to fit her every need.

- For the college-bound co-ed, a contemporary case with a mirror is a sure crowd pleaser among the hippest college students. Select one that is easy to carry back and forth to the bathroom and slips conveniently under a bed or in a closet. Many cases feature adjustable dividers so that the co-ed can even create different sized compartments to fit all her different needs. Great for the fashion conscious!

- Is she on the go and always in a hurry? Holiday parties and travel plans are made hassle free with a case that features a slide tray that can keep everything in reach and ready to go in a moment's notice. Look for the type of beauty organizer that also features a deeper bottom to carry bottles upright so travels are spill-free.

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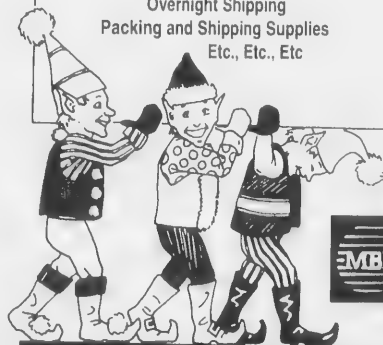


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- Don't staple or nail through decorative light strings or electrical cords — you could cut or damage the wire insulation, causing a safety hazard.

- It's important to turn off all electrical light strings and decorations before leaving home or going to bed.

- When unplugging any electrical product from an outlet, pull the plug from the gripper molded on the plug. Yanking or tugging on the cord can damage the cord's wire and insulation.

- Never plug any electrical products that, when their wattage usage is combined, draw more than 1,500 watts from the same circuit. Don't forget to add up the wattage for all electrical products that will be used simultaneously from a single circuit. Check your circuit breaker/fuse box to determine which outlets are on the same circuit. Remember, there are usually several outlets on the same circuit.

- Always unplug a light string or electrical decoration before replacing bulbs or fuses, or making repairs. Check the instructions to determine what maintenance and repairs the manufacturer

recommends you perform. Don't attempt to make a repair unless the instructions indicate the proper procedure and equipment for doing so.

- Follow instructions regarding the type of replacement fuses and bulbs you should use. Decorations may overheat or safety mechanisms may not operate properly if you don't use the replacement parts specified by the manufacturer.

- When purchasing cut evergreens or trees, inspect the needles. If they're brown or break easily, the greenery isn't fresh and poses a greater fire risk. When you take your tree home, keep the base holder filled with water at all times.

- If you decorate with an artificial tree, look for the UL Mark. UL tests artificial trees for, among other hazards, flammability.

- Do not use electrical decorations on artificial trees with metallic branches, leaves or needles.

- Never use lighted candles on trees or evergreens — real or artificial — or near draperies and other flammable materials.

- Place your tree away from sources of heat including radiators, space heaters and fireplaces. Don't block doorways or exits with the tree.

Following these holiday decorating safety tips will help you decorate your home beautifully and — more importantly — safely during this holiday season.

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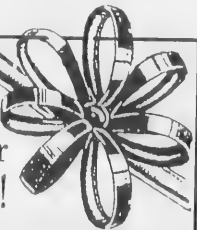
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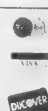
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Does the spirit of "Christmas-Present" leave you feeling like a scrooge? Do you feel like you put in more hours baking than Bob Cratchett spent at his job, while the cost for all the ingredients amounts to more than a trip to Tiny Tim's orthopedist?

Holidays don't have to mean over-time in the kitchen or excessive expense, according to the Wheat Foods Council. Fruit and nut cakes are always a hit at holiday get-togethers, but they can be time consuming and really cut into the budget at a time when purse strings may already be tight.

Raspberry Nut Bread can be whipped together from ingredients that are probably already in the pantry. No raspberries? Just substitute cranberries. During the holidays when two of the most precious commodities are often time and money, Raspberry Nut Bread can be a saver of both while still keeping an eye on nutrition.

Raspberry Nut Bread

2 cups all-purpose flour
1 cup sugar

1-1/2 teaspoons baking powder

1/2 teaspoon baking soda

1 teaspoon salt

1/4 cup shortening

3/4 cup orange juice

1 tablespoon orange rind

1 egg, well beaten

1/2 cup chopped nuts

2 cups whole raspberries,
fresh or frozen

Sift together dry ingredients. Cut in shortening until mixture resembles coarse cornmeal. Combine orange juice and rind with egg. Pour all at once into dry ingredients, mixing just enough to moisten. Fold in nuts and raspberries.

Pour into 9 x 5 x 3-inch greased loaf pan. Spread corners and sides slightly higher than center. Bake at 350 °F about 1 hour until crust is golden brown and toothpick comes out clean. Cool 10 minutes, remove from pan and finish cooling.

Holiday baking as easy as pie

These happy holiday desserts are nutty, but nice:

Macadamia Nut and Irish Cream Pie.

An old Irish tradition is fast becoming a popular holiday trend here, in America.

Legend has it that a popular drink in the west of Ireland consisted of a dab of fresh cream dropped into whisky, stirred, shaken and tossed down.

This, many say, was the origin of Baileys Irish Cream (though it's also been attributed to a Dublin pub called "The Bailey," that was a favorite haunt of author James Joyce). Whatever the source of its origins, here the creamy delight is not only enjoyed out of glasses, but as a delightful addition to these two holiday recipes.

Macadamia Nut Pie

5 eggs

1 1/4 cups sugar

1/2 tablespoon salt

6 oz. butter

1 cup corn syrup

6 oz. Baileys Original Irish

Cream Liqueur

8 oz. chocolate chips

10 oz. macadamia nuts

1 9" pie shell

Using electric beaters, cream eggs, sugar, salt and butter in bowl. Add corn syrup and Baileys Original Irish Cream. Stir in chocolate chips and macadamia nuts. Pour into pie shell. Bake at 300°F until brown about 1 1/2 hours. Serves 8.

Another holiday treat to try is this Heavenly Mousse Pie.

2 7 oz. chocolate bars with almonds

1 1/2 cups, cream-filled chocolate cookies, coarsely crushed

1 1/2 cups graham crackers, coarsely crushed

1 1/2 cups Baileys Original Irish Cream Liqueur, divided

2 cups heavy cream

Melt the chocolate in a double boiler, set aside. Toss cookie and cracker crumbs together. Drizzle 1/4 cup Baileys over crumbs and mix with a fork. Press mixture into buttered 10-inch pie pan.

Whip the cream, fold in the chocolate mixture, then fold in remaining Baileys. Gently pour mixture into pie pan. Freeze 4 hours or overnight. Serves 8.

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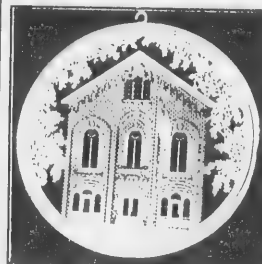
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BAKING FUN

Turn your kitchen into Santa's workshop by setting aside an afternoon to bake and decorate cookies with the kids. The following mom-tested tips can help make the experience a memorable one for everyone.

• **Let kids take part in the planning.**

Review favorite recipes and ask your child to help choose the cookies you will bake.

• **Getting started.**

Read the recipe together from beginning to end. Then gather ingredients and equipment.

• **Teach as you go.**

Practice pouring, measuring and counting. With older children, review fractions and kitchen safety, or talk about favorite holiday traditions.

• **Play it safe.**

Make ovens, stove tops and sharp utensils off limits to very young children. Supervise older children.

• **Cleaning up.**

Teach the importance of cleaning up as you work.

• **Encourage creativity.**

Assemble a variety of decorating materials and encourage your children to use their imaginations to package their cookies to give as gifts.

The smallest hands will be able to shape Holiday Cookie Surprises, a recipe developed in the Quaker Kitchens with children in mind. The simple oatmeal cookie dough is molded around a bite-size piece of chocolate, gumbdrop or other "surprise," then rolled in colored sugar crystals or sprinkles.

To give cookies as gifts, pack in holiday tins or create clever packaging of your own. To make cookie bundles, arrange a few cookies in the center of a square of food-safe wrap, form the square into a bundle and tie at the top with a ribbon.

Holiday Cookie Surprises Cookies

1 cup (2 sticks) margarine or butter, softened
3/4 cup powdered sugar

1 egg

1 teaspoon vanilla

2 cups all-purpose flour

1-1/4 cups Quaker oats (quick or old fashioned, uncooked)

1/4 teaspoon salt (optional)

Fillings

Approximately 48 small candies (such as bite-size pieces of chocolate, candy-coated chocolate, jelly beans and gumdrops)

Coatings

Colored sugar crystals or sprinkles

Powdered sugar*

Heat oven to 325°F. Beat margarine and sugar until fluffy. Add egg and vanilla; beat well. Add combined flour, oats and salt; mix well. Shape dough into 1-inch balls. Press desired candy piece into center of each ball and shape dough around candy so it is completely hidden. Roll cookies in colored sugar crystals or sprinkles until evenly coated or coat in powdered sugar as directed below. Place balls on ungreased cookie sheet. Bake 14 to 17 minutes or until bottoms are light golden brown. Remove to wire rack. Cool completely. Makes about 4 dozen.

*For powdered sugar coated cookies, bake uncoated cookies as directed above. Remove to wire rack; cool 5 minutes. Place about 3/4 cup powdered sugar in plastic bag. Gently shake 3 to 4 cookies in sugar until coated. Repeat with remaining cookies. Sift remaining powdered sugar over cookies.

PB&J's

1 cup butter or margarine, softened

1 cup peanut butter

1 cup firmly packed brown sugar

1/2 cup sugar

2 eggs

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

2 1/2 cups all-purpose flour

1 teaspoon baking soda

1 1/2 cups chopped peanuts

3/4 cup your favorite jam or jelly

Non-stick cooking spray

Preheat oven to 375°F. In a large bowl beat butter, peanut butter and sugars until light and fluffy. Add eggs and vanilla; beat until smooth and creamy. Stir in flour and baking soda until thoroughly blended.

Spray a baking sheet with non-stick spray. Shape dough into 1-inch balls; roll in chopped peanuts and place two inches apart on baking sheet. Press thumb deeply in center of each. Fill each thumbprint with 1/4 teaspoon jam. Bake 10 to 12 minutes or until lightly browned. Makes about 8 dozen cookies.



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Family gifts make the holiday shopping go farther, faster

If the idea of finding time to shop for everyone on your list is beginning to make you shiver, you might want to consider following a new trend: a gift for the whole family. Looking for ideas for family gifts?

Here are just a few gift ideas to contemplate:

- Has your family always wanted to hike in the Rockies, visit Disney World, or tour the Big Apple? Combine your holiday and vacation budgets, and take your dream vacation this year. Give the kids their tickets for Christmas.

- Home computers have never been less expensive or more invaluable. The hardest part is deciding which system. You might check the classifieds to see if someone is selling the system you want used. If your budget allows, give the computer to the family, and give each family member a small piece of software.

- One way to make vacations more affordable is by roughing it. You can get a lifetime set-up of a tent and sleeping bags for the whole family for less than it would cost for a weekend at a hotel.

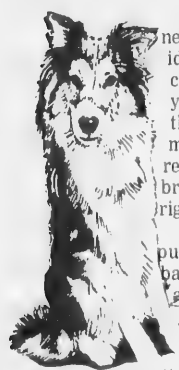
- Jump-start everyone's brains by investing in a set of encyclopedia. You'll finally be able to answer all your kids' questions (like "how does television work?")—your kids will get ahead in school, and you'll all have a resource to turn to for years to come. For families with school-age children, choose an encyclopedia because of its accuracy, up-to-date information and readability.

- Help the whole family keep fit by buying equipment for a home gym. Surprise them by having it all set up, out of sight, on Christmas morning. Give

sweats, leotards or sweatbands as individual gifts.

There is one family gift that experts believe you shouldn't indulge in—namely, a new pet. Animal shelters are crowded in January with "surprise" pets that didn't work out. Pets should only come into a home where everyone is aware, ahead of time, of the life-long responsibility and is prepared to meet all the long-term obligations associated with a pet, from veterinary care to daily routines.

Pairing up with a new pooch for the holidays requires advanced planning and research



Considering a new puppy this holiday season? You can be sure that you're barking up the right Christmas tree by first researching which breed of dog is right for you.

"Many people purchase puppies based on appearance, without taking into account that the breed may

not be good with young children, or needs room to run, or requires more patience to housebreak," says Dan Carey, DVM, The Iams Company. "Research breeds before you purchase the puppy to save the heartache of owning an animal that's not a match to your lifestyle." Many puppies bought on impulse are later brought to shelters, or abandoned.

Here are some questions to consider before buying a puppy:

1. Do you have any previous dog-owning experience?
2. Do you need a dog that gets along with young children?
3. What size dog do you want?

4. How much room do you have for the dog (i.e., do you live in an apartment, or a house with a large yard)?

5. Do you have allergies, or will you be upset if the dog sheds a lot?

6. Do you need a dog that will be easy to train?

When you think that you have found a breed that seems suitable for you and your family, go to your local library or pet store for books about the breed, or contact your local chapter of the American Kennel Club for brochures. They can also put you in contact with clubs

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Border Collie	Large to Giant	No	Suburbs or Country	Very Well
Dachshund	Toy	No	City or Suburbs	Medium

This is just a small sampling of breeds for special circumstances.

devoted to different breeds.

Once you have found your perfect puppy, make sure you know how to be a responsible owner. A free brochure, *You And Your New Puppy*, can help start you out on the right "paw." The free brochure is available by calling the Iams Pet Nutrition Center & Hotline, 800/525-4267, Ext. 44, Mon. to Sat., 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Eastern time.

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Royal Jewelers: Great gift ideas for the holidays



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Sales representative Gary Cullen, far left, and Steven Lagos, far right, were at Royal Jewelers recently promoting their fine jewelry line.

As holiday shopping gets underway many people begin to wonder what to get that special person on their gift list. People looking for a unique or fun gift should stop by Royal Jewelers, 58 Main St., before risking their sanity and fenders at the mall.

Royal Jewelers has been recently named as one of the top 100 jewelry stores in the United States by the jewelry industry. Criteria taken into consideration for this honor include the quality of jewelry and watch lines as well as the presentation and knowledge of products and respect for the customer.

Royal carries fine designer jewelry such as Steven Lagos, David Yurman which

can only be found at Neiman Marcus and Royal Jewelers, and Carrera y Carrera. Royal also has the honor carrying the Bevacqua jewelry. Joseph Bevacqua is an award-winning jewelry designer who chooses one jewelry store in each state to carry his line of gold and diamond jewelry.

When asked how Royal Jewelers compares to stores such as Tiffany's, Mr. Leed replied, "We have the same of the same jewelry; we have lines that feature pieces of jewelry that are just as unique as theirs, but at Royal we are known for having great prices and a staff that is friendly and knowledgeable."

In addition to the extensive selection of fine jewelry that fits into anyone's budget,

Royal also carries a large selection of writing instruments. The complete Mont Blanc boutique includes collectible leather goods such as folios, pen cases and diaries. Royal Jewelers also carries the full line of Parker, St. Dupont - including lighters and cigar cutters, A.T. Cross and Waterman writing instruments. "The Edson by Waterman is one of the prettiest pens I've ever held," said Mr. Leed.

Royal Jewelers also carries Chelsea Clocks, which range in price from \$85 to \$5,000. Chelsea Clocks are the same clocks that United States presidents and department heads present as gifts to foreign dignitaries. They can also be found in different mantels or parlors at the White House. "John F. Kennedy had one in the Oval Office," noted Mr. Leed.

The sales staff at Royal Jewelers has great gift ideas for any budget and, if needed, they will cheerfully gift wrap any item. A big plus at Royal is that nobody works on commission, unlike the sales staffs at many department stores, so when enthusiasm is shown about a particular product the customer can rest assured that it is genuine.

Three people on the staff specialize in jewelry and watch repair. In many instances repairs can be made on the same day or the next day.

Whether a person is looking for a small remembrance gift or a gift that's unique and special, Royal is the place to go. Royal Jewelers' extensive selection of fine jewelry, watches, writing instruments, and Chelsea Clocks, along with the friendly and knowledgeable staff, make holiday shopping less stressful and an enjoyable experience for everyone.



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Paula and Steve Leed display a Corum timepiece worth \$250,000 which was on display recently for two days only at Royal Jewelers.



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Acura introduces new Legend & Integra models

Buick improves Park Avenue and Park Avenue Ultra

Volvo 900 series to be produced with aluminum chassis parts

Speed, luxury mark the Corniche

With the turbocharged Corniche S, Rolls-Royce is building the fastest convertibles in its 90-year history. Twenty of the elegant, handcrafted cars will be produced after which Corniche convertible production will end.

The coachbuilt Corniche, regarded as the most glamorous of contemporary Rolls-Royce motor cars, was introduced in 1967 as the Silver Shadow two-door convertible. Four years later the car was renamed the Corniche after the famous coastal roads of the French Riviera.

The Corniche S benefits from the advanced automotive technology that is engineered across the entire Rolls-Royce range. This includes a



Rolls-Royce Corniche S

redesigned V8 engine, enhanced automatic ride control suspension and a new transmission shift energy management system. Dual airbags are fitted as standard and emission levels exceed the world's most stringent requirements.

The body panels of a Corniche IV

are carefully fitted by hand before the shell receives its powertrain and subframes. The assembly process then continues slowly, producing a sporting motor car to meet the highest standards demanded by convertible enthusiasts.

The fascia, with a tachometer and systems monitoring panel, is of classic burr walnut with cross banding and boxwood inlay.

Standard features include anti-lock

brakes, alloy wheels, powered rack and pinion steering, dual level automatic air conditioning and a 10-speaker, 100-watt audio system incorporating a six CD multiplayer remote control. The heated seats have adjustable lumbar support and

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Rolls-Royce announces good news

Rolls-Royce Motor Cars announces good news for new car buyers, as selected 1995 four-door Rolls-Royce and Bentley models will cost less from October 1994.

Robert Wharen, managing director, American Operations, Rolls-Royce Motor Cars Inc., stated that the prices

of coachbuilt models however, would go up slightly.

The company's best selling model, the Silver Spur III, now begins at \$169,900 and the turbocharged Bentley Turbo R \$188,000. The Bentley range starts with the Brooklands sedan at \$137,000 with a long wheel

base version at \$154,000.

Models that are handcrafted to owner's specific needs by the Mulliner Park Ward coachbuilding division carry slightly higher prices. The Bentley flagship Continental R coupe is now \$289,400 and Corniche IV convertible,

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Blazers speak with the 'Voice of the Customer'

Chevrolet's all-new 1995 Blazer combines the comfort and convenience of a luxury passenger car with the toughness and capability that buyers expect from a truck. With its aerodynamic new exterior and more spacious new interior, the 1995 Chevrolet Blazer is an exceptional value in the highly-competitive compact sport utility market.

For 1995, the compact S-Blazer will drop its 'S' prefix becoming simply Blazer. The full size K-Blazer has been renamed Tahoe for 1995. Both two-door and four-door Blazer models are offered with either two-wheel or four-wheel drive. An all-wheel-drive package is scheduled for introduction on four-door LT models (interim 1995). Trim levels include a base and uplevel LS package for both the two-door and four-door models, and an optional luxury LT package is offered on four-door models.

Blazer is powered by a potent 195-horsepower 4.3 Liter V6 engine with Central Port Fuel Injection in 1995. This versatile V6 produces 30 more horsepower than last year's standard engine. Also standard is GM's 4L60-E, a four-speed electronically controlled automatic transmission. A smooth-shifting five-speed manual transmission will be available mid-year on two-door models exclusively.

The long list of standard equipment includes a four-wheel anti-lock brake system, a driver-side air bag,



child security rear door locks (four-door models), air conditioning that uses non-CFC R-134a refrigerant,

Solar Raytinted glass, an interior lamp off delay feature, light-duty trailer wiring harness, base coat/clear-coat paint, floor mats, and twin below-eyeline exterior mirrors.

The Blazer chassis is thoroughly redesigned, and its combination of stiff body structure and custom fit suspension help produce improvements in ride and handling. A ladder-type frame with boxed rails provides a solid foundation for five new suspension packages that are suited to a

wide range of customer needs, from everyday commuting to serious off-road excursions.

Blazers with Touring Premium or off-road suspension packages are equipped with premium gas-pressurized de Carbon or Bilstein monotube shock absorbers that provide exceptional wheel control. The standard front and rear stabilizer bars on the new Blazer are among the largest in

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1995 Tahoe: New name, new features

Chevrolet introduces the 1995 Tahoe — the versatile full-size sport utility vehicle previously called the K-Blazer. While the nameplate is new, the multipurpose Tahoe has the same toughness and proven go-anywhere capabilities that have distinguished Chevrolet full-size sport utility vehicles for 25 years. (Chevy's compact sport utility vehicle, formerly S-Series, wears the Blazer badge exclusively in 1995.)

A new four-door Tahoe is slated to debut in early 1995. The four-door will be available in either two-wheel-drive or with the traction advantage of four-wheel-drive, have a shorter wheelbase than Suburban, and be available in uplevel LS/LT trim. Panel rear doors or tailgate with lift-gate and an underbody-mounted



spare tire will make the four-door Tahoe a very versatile vehicle.

With the arrival of the new four-door Tahoe, positioned between the new compact Blazer and the legendary Suburban, Chevrolet will be the only manufacturer to offer a sport utility vehicle in every niche to satisfy every need.

For 1995 the Tahoe also adds a long list of new safety, convenience

and performance features as well. A standard driver-side air bag and brake/transmission shift interlock head the roster of detail improvements. An all-new instrument panel, plush new door panels, contoured seats and interior and exterior colors give Tahoe interior a stylish, contemporary look.

Form follows function in the new features on Tahoe. For example, an optional console (standard with uplevel bucket seats) converts to a mobile work station with a pivoting writing surface, map pocket, tape cassette storage, removable coin holder, rear-seat cup holders, and a latched rear storage drawer.

The sophisticated new Tahoe audio systems provide crisp highs

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New Porsche Arrivals

- 1995 993 Coupe Grand Prix White, Black leather
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Buick launches its luxury flagship sedans

Park Avenue and Park Avenue Ultra feature improved comfort, convenience, and safety

Park Avenue and Park Avenue Ultra, Buick's flagship luxury sedans, feature performance, appearance and convenience improvements for the 1995 model year.

Park Avenue's engine is the new 3800 Series II, the latest generation in the acclaimed family of V-6 engines pioneered by Buick. Rated at 205 horsepower, it provides better performance and is also quieter and smoother than the previous 3800.

The supercharged 3800 V-6 continues to be standard on Park Avenue Ultra, providing the power of a V-8 in a lighter, more compact package. On both models, the engine is mated to an electronically controlled four-speed automatic transmission.

Park Avenue and Park Avenue Ultra showcase Buick's new climate controls and new family of radios, which feature improved performance and larger, easy-to-use controls.

The exterior of Park Avenue has been freshened with new fascias, a revised grille and new side moldings and bumper guards. Interior improvements include a new standard instrument cluster and new wood-grain wrap for the sound system and climate controls.

"Park Avenue continues to provide understated elegance, refined performance and uncompromising comfort, all with the quality that buyers have

come to expect from Buick," said Buick General Manager Edward H. Mertz.

"Ultra, Buick's flagship sedan builds upon Park Avenue's strengths to offer an exceptional combination of responsive performance and luxurious accommodations."

New standard engine

The new 3800 Series II V-6 in Park Avenue provides excellent performance in a smooth, quiet, reliable package. Fuel economy is also exceptional for a full-size luxury sedan. Projected EPA ratings are 19 mpg city, 29 mpg highway.

Though it shares basic dimensions with the 3800, the Series II is essentially an all-new engine, with significant improvements in almost every area.

The new cast-iron block has a lower deck height, reducing the size and weight of the engine. Cross-bolted main caps stiffen the bottom end, reducing noise and improving durability.

New cylinder heads with symmetrical combustion chambers provide a smoother idle and lower exhaust emissions.

Larger valves and more efficient ports improve flow through the engine. The valves, springs and caps are lighter; combined with a new camshaft and revised valvetrain

When teamed with the Park Avenue and Park Avenue Ultra's front-wheel drive and standard all-season radial tires, traction control provides exceptional grip, no matter how bad the roads become.

The supercharged 3,800 is rated at 225 horsepower and 275 lb.-ft. of torque. Performance is comparable to many V-8 powered luxury cars, with zero-to-60 times in the 8.5-second range.

A four-speed, electronically controlled automatic transmission is standard on all Park Avenues. New Dexron III transmission fluid provides more consistent shifts under a wide variety of conditions, and allows a transmission fluid and filter change interval of 100,000 miles under normal driving conditions.

Improved comfort and convenience

Already among the most luxurious cars on the market, Park Avenue and Park Avenue Ultra feature interior comfort and convenience improvements.

Park Avenue and Park Avenue Ultra showcase Buick's new family of radios. These larger radios provide distinctive styling, easy-to-use controls and optional automatic tone control.

For 1995, Park Avenue and Park Avenue Ultra also feature a new climate control system that is easier to use and provides increased interior comfort.

The controls are larger and have

parts, this helps extend the power band higher into the rev range.

Horsepower of the 3800 Series II is rated at 205 at 5,200 rpm, a 35-horsepower increase over the 3,800. And this power increase was achieved without any loss of the low- and mid-range torque so important for stop-and-go driving. In fact, the Series II generates 5 lb.-ft. more torque than the 3800, 230 lb.-ft. versus 225.

The standard engine for Park Avenue Ultra is the supercharged 3800. A Roots-type blower, mounted on a special intake manifold, provides extra air and fuel when needed, increasing power output of the engine.

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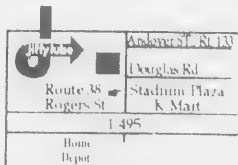
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Ford's Explorer sets new market standards

Ford Explorer, the best-selling sport utility vehicle in America, has been redesigned for 1995 with a host of new features which include dual air bags, a new suspension system and a new four-wheel drive system.

The 1995 Explorer sets the pace for safety with the addition of standard dual air bags, a feature not offered by its major competitors.

"Safety and quality were the driving forces in the design of this vehicle," said Ross Roberts, Ford Motor Company vice president and general manager of Ford Division. "The new Explorer takes design, engineering and manufacturing to levels never before achieved in this market segment."



An all-new edition, the Expedition joins the two-door model lineup which includes the XL and Sport editions. The four-door stable includes the XL, XLT, Eddie Bauer and Limited editions.

Customers will also find a vehicle equipped with a four-wheel anti-lock braking system (ABS) with front and rear disc brakes. An optional integrated rear child seat will also be available after Job One on four-door models.

Driving performance will be enhanced with a new Short and Long Arm (SLA) front suspension, rack and pinion steering and an improved four-wheel-drive system called Control Trac.

The Control Trac system helps add safety and stability by automatically increasing drive torque to the front wheels when rear wheel slippage occurs. The driver also has the

choice of using the vehicle in a continuous two-wheel-drive mode or a continuous low range four-wheel-drive mode during off-road driving or other service applications.

The redesigned, aerodynamic, sloping hood of the Explorer is complemented by new

fenders, headlights, bumper and grille which round out the front end. Color-keyed bodyside moldings, new 15" cast aluminum and 16" chrome steel wheels and tail lamps complete the new design.

Inside the Explorer, the addition of an all-new instrument panel takes comfort and convenience to new levels. The panel increases readability and places all controls within easy

reach of the driver. New door trim and seat styles round out the functional and luxurious interior.

The Explorer is available with a 4.0-liter V-6 engine coupled with either a five-speed manual or four-speed electronic automatic transmission. Refinements of the engine, as well as the addition of a fully electronic shift control in the automatic

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New trim package joins Bronco lineup

A new trim package joins the Ford Bronco lineup for 1995. The XLT Sport Package is available in any of three eye-catching clearcoat colors - bright red, black and oxford white - with matching grille, bumpers and cab steps. It has forged aluminum deep-dish wheels.

The interior complements the exterior color and is fitted with captain's chairs for the driver and front passenger and bench seating in the rear.

Filling a niche between the mid-level XLT and the top-of-the-line Eddie Bauer, the XLT Sport Package is designed to further broaden the market appeal of Bronco to include buyers who are looking for a sportier image in a rugged four-wheel-drive vehicle. Bronco has been America's best-selling full-size utility vehicle for 15 years.

Bronco models are powered by

either of two electronically fuel-injected (EFI) V-8 engines. The 5.0-liter engine can be teamed with either a five-speed manual overdrive transmission or a four-speed automatic overdrive transmission. The 5.8-liter engine is paired exclusively with the four-speed automatic overdrive.

Bronco's standard safety equipment includes a four-wheel anti-lock braking system (ABS), a driver's air bag supplemental restraint system (SRS), side-door guard beams and an interlock that requires the brake pedal to be applied before the automatic transmission can be shifted out of "park."

Options include an air-conditioning system free of CFCs, a remote-control keyless entry system and a choice of audio system upgrades from the standard electronic AM/FM stereo radio.



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he Acura Automobile Division announced the introduction of its 1995 Legend and Integra models. Highlighting the announcement is the addition of a new Acura Integra Special Edition to the Integra line.

The introduction of these new Acura models closely follows a milestone in Acura's history, when its sales in the United States passed the one million mark. No other import luxury nameplate has achieved this sales milestone in such a short time, stated Rich Thomas, executive vice president-general manager of Acura.

The 1,000,000 sales milestone accomplishment would not have been possible without the dedication of our dealers to customer satisfaction and the commitment to excellence of those who design, engineer and manufacture Acura automobiles, said Mr. Thomas. With the introduction of the 1995 Acura Legend and Integra models, Acura looks forward to another very successful sales year, he added.

Introduction of the 1995 Integra Special Edition caps a significant year for Integra as well. Since the all-new third-generation Acura Integra was introduced, it has become the best-selling automobile in America in its category.

New for 1995, the Integra Special Edition features a leather-trimmed interior, special appearance group and a performance handling package priced significantly less than if purchased separately.

The 1995 Acura Integra Special Edition, which is offered in both Sports Coupe and Sports Sedan models, features a 1.8-liter, 142-hp, DOHC engine with a five-speed manual transmission or optional four-



1995 Integra Special Edition Sports Sedan

speed automatic transmission with Grade Logic Control System. The Special Edition has a fully independent, double-wishbone suspension, combined with front and rear stabilizer bars, power steering, 15-inch alloy wheels with Michelin XGT-V4 all season high-performance tires, four-wheel power disc brakes and an Anti-Lock Braking System (ABS) for precise handling.

Other standard features of the Integra Special Edition are driver's and passenger's side air bags (SRS), air conditioning, four-speaker AM/FM stereo cassette, power moonroof, power windows and cruise control.

The Special Edition exterior features a Special Edition emblem, protective body-colored side moldings and an aerodynamic body-colored rear spoiler on the Sports Coupe model. The Sports Sedan model features a wood-patterned center console.

Both the Integra Sports Coupe and Sports Sedan are available in RS, LS and GS-R models. For 1995, the Integra GS-R is available with leather-

trimmed interior and the Integra LS Sedan has added a power moonroof as standard equipment.

The 1995 Acura Legend Series of luxury automobiles include both Sedan and Coupe models. The Legend Sedan models are the fully equipped L, the more elaborately appointed LS, and the top-of-the-line GS. The 1995 Acura Legend Coupe features two models: the fully equipped L and the more elaborately appointed LS.

The top-of-the-line Legend Sedan GS gets the same high-performance 230-horsepower Type II engine as the Legend Coupe and is available with either a 6-speed manual or four-speed automatic transmission. The Sedan GS and Coupe LS also feature a Traction Control System (TCS), sport suspension, 16 wheels with all season high-performance tires, dual piston front brake calipers and a body-colored front grille.

The Legend is powered by an aluminum-alloy, 3.2-liter, 24-valve, V-6 engine. The engine/transmission package of the Legend is longitudinal-

ly mounted to achieve the ideal 60/40 weight balance for a front-wheel-drive luxury performance automobile. A racing-inspired double-wishbone suspension, front and rear, delivers precise, responsive handling combined with excellent ride quality.

The elegantly styled Acura Legend Sedan and Coupe were designed for aerodynamic efficiency, incorporating clean lines to penetrate the wind with a minimum of turbulence, and details such as nearly flush glass and minimal gaps between body sections to reduce wind noise and increase fuel efficiency.

Acura, the number-one-selling luxury import nameplate, has achieved an excellent reputation for quality and reliability. All Acura automobiles are protected by a four-year/50,000-mile limited warranty and a five-year unlimited-mileage corrosion warranty. A nationwide network of nearly 300 dealers offers a full line of Acura models.

Acura, the number-one-selling luxury import nameplate, has achieved an excellent reputation for quality and reliability.

Failure to be prepared for cold-weather driving can lead to dangerous breakdowns. The following tips are provided as a public service from the experts at the nonprofit National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence.

Plan ahead. Autumn is the perfect time to get ready. Read your owner's manual and follow the manufacturer's service intervals.

Replace worn wiper blades and keep lots of washer fluid on hand to

fight road salt, grit and other windshield grime.

Replace balding tires with all-season radials or snow tires, as conditions warrant. Don't forget to check the spare and make sure the tire jack works.

Have a qualified auto technician check the condition of your battery and cables, plus the radiator, hoses and belts.

Engine performance problems such as rough idling, poor acceleration or hard starts should be correct-

ed. In addition to peace of mind, you'll see better fuel economy.

Make certain your heater and defroster are in good working condition.

Have the exhaust system examined for leaks, which can be potentially deadly in closed cars.

Carry emergency gear: flares, boots, gloves, ice scraper, high energy snacks, a blanket, shovel, flashlight, tire chains, a few tools, and a CB radio or car phone

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Speed, luxury mark the Rolls-Royce Corniche

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position memory settings, which also are linked to the door mirrors.

Beautifully crafted fittings that complement the graceful design of the motor car include upholstery of the finest English Connolly leather, lamb-swool rugs and exquisitely matched veneers.

These features, and more, make the Corniche IV convertible and the turbocharged Corniche S one of the most glamorous and sophisticated motor cars on the road today.

Robert Wharen, managing director, American Operations, for Rolls-Royce and Bentley Motor Cars, noted that

RR announces good news

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ending a long production run, currently being phased out, is \$284,000. The Corniche S, a turbocharged model of which 20 are being built for North America, is priced at \$315,000 and the Rolls-Royce Touring Limousine \$547,200.

Mr. Wharen added "We have reorganized and streamlined our North American operations, and coupled with the product initiatives we have recently announced in this country we have created a perfect opportunity for more motorists to experience the delights of Rolls-Royce or Bentley ownership. The North American luxury car market is starting to respond to positive initiatives and with increased confidence now evident, we believe this realignment is perfectly timed."

The business transformation at Rolls-Royce Motor Cars resulted in the company moving back into profit in 1993 and recording a 2.6 percent increase in sales in the first half of 1994.

Responding to the change in world economies, the company has been radically reshaped and has evolved a business strategy designed to perform profitably into the next century.

The strategy is based on three key elements:

- To maximize profitability by increasing productivity and reducing break even point to the current figure of around 1,350 annual retail sales.

- To exceed customer expectations in terms of quality, craftsmanship, reliability, safety and comfort.

- To concentrate exclusively on the core activity of designing, developing and building the best cars in the world.

"Teamwork is the key of the new Rolls-Royce Motor Cars," said Mr. Wharen. "Teams examine and actively work to improve every aspect of the business. For team members it brings a sense of responsibility and greater job satisfaction."

Rolls-Royce Motor Cars approached its reshaping by considering how it would create and run a green field site producing motor cars to the very

the 25th anniversary Corniche produced in 1992-93 had become a collectible, and the company believed the last production Corniche convertibles, with the added attraction of being turbo-charged and thus a unique limited edition, would also be highly sought by enthusiasts.

He added, "I expect the few remaining convertibles to be purchased quickly by Rolls-Royce aficionados who will wish to own one of the last normally aspirated Corniche or Bentley Continentals, or be among the last to own one of the 20 Corniche S. These turbo-charged convertibles unique in the Rolls-Royce marque will be the last of a classic line."

highest standards.

The factory is now divided into 16 distinct zones, each entered under its manager to act as a business within a business. Each zone assumes full responsibility for the cost, quality and prompt delivery of the product it passes on to the next, and has its own engineering, maintenance and material control staff. With each zone there are typically 10 teams of six to 10 strong, and within the teams there is total flexibility regardless of individuals' craft backgrounds.

The company is now producing fewer cars, but it is building them more efficiently and only to meet customer requirements. As a result, the break-even point was reduced by half to around 1,350 cars in 1993, and Rolls-Royce Motor Cars is in a better position through new compressed management systems to respond rapidly to changes in customer demands.

Mr. Wharen added: "We have initiated rigorous procedures to allow customer feedback and have built systems to communicate this at all levels."

"One of the most rewarding features of the whole process is that all teams are now demanding feedback on what customers want, and they are putting this information to work on the shop floor."

Four new models were launched over the past three years - the Bentley Continental R coupe, Bentley Brooklands sedan, Rolls-Royce Silver Spur III sedan, and the Rolls-Royce Touring Limousine. Major technical enhancements were engineered into the entire range for 1994, and for the 1995 model year the company introduces three new models - the Flying Spur, the first ever turbocharged Rolls-Royce, the turbocharged Corniche S convertible, and the Silver Dawn. The latest models are in direct response to customer demands.

The Mulliner Park Ward bespoke design service has also been restructured to provide customers with highly individual and exclusive interiors.

According to Mr. Wharen, there will always be a call for exclusivity, whatever the economic conditions.



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The Volvo 960 is stylish; it can't be confused with jellybean-shaped cars

cars you can look at, some cars you can read about, but to really appreciate the new 960 from Volvo, you need to drive it. Re-engineered from the inside out for 1995, this Volvo is the embodiment of the fine European car ideal.

At first glance, there is no denying that this is a Volvo. It has the classic Volvo grille design, large glass area for good visibility, and that solid appearance that makes you wonder if Volvos aren't carved from a single block of steel.

While there is no chance of confusing it with one of those jellybean-shaped cars, there is something very stylish about the 960. The front lights, grille and fenders are lower and smoother. The front and rear bumpers are now color keyed and beautifully integrated into the overall contour of the car. Even the door handles, body moldings and window trim have been refined. The overall effect is very modern, very smooth, very well integrated, while retaining Volvo's distinctive appearance. As you look at this car you can almost hear the Volvo designers saying, "We would never cut corners, but no one said we couldn't round a few." Opening the door reveals another area where Volvo has done its homework. The first thing you notice is the sculptured door panels with their rich textures and gently curved openings and controls. The driver and front seat passenger each have one of Volvo's fine orthopedically designed bucket seats for proper support and comfort.

The leather facing on these seats is supple and brings to mind a fine piece of furniture. This feeling is followed up by the discrete use of wood in the instrument panel and wood grained accents on the door panels.

There is a quality to the interior of the new 960 that says richness rather than luxury. Color coordination of the interior is extremely well thought out and the overall impression is very harmonious. From a practical standpoint, it has everything you would expect in a car of this class: driver and front passenger airbags, electron-

ic climate control, power glass sunroof, AM/FM stereo cassette, Premium Sound System, leather wrapped tilt-steering wheel, power adjustable front seats, power windows, electrically-operated side mirrors and three-point self-adjusting safety belts for all five seating positions. And because it can't, the new 960 comes with cup holders as an integral part of the center armrest.

Even a short drive will convince you that the changes in this car go much deeper than the skin. Power comes from Volvo's light alloy, 2.3-liter, in-line, six-cylinder, 24-valve engine. For 1995 this smooth-running power plant has been retuned to provide increased torque in the

rpm's; or Winter, which locks out the first two gears for enhanced starting ability in low traction conditions. A 960's utilize an automatic lock differential for enhanced traction at low speed.

The first time you take a corner you will notice the sense of control. It's the Volvo engineers' magic note. There is 35 percent less roll in the new 960. It corners flatter, smoother, and handles with noticeably more dignity than its predecessor. The chassis and suspension under the 960 is virtually all new.

At the front is a McPherson strut system that makes extensive use of geometry and suspension settings Volvo engineers

replaced by a single transverse-coiled composite leaf spring. The only other vehicle presently using such a system is the Chevrolet Corvette.

An important benefit of this new suspension system is that for the first time, the Volvo wagon will also have the multi-link independent rear suspension. Driving the new 960 wagon is an experience with few if any parallels. It is quiet, competent, roomy and stylish...not to mention practical.

Safety considerations have not been overlooked either. In re-engineering the front suspension, Volvo engineers added an additional cross member tying the framersails together at the rear of the control arms. This significantly enhances the energy management in offset frontal

accidents. An additional high strength steel insert in the front floor also helps to reduce footwell intrusion in severe

frontal accidents. Even SIPS, the Side Impact Protection System

which Volvo introduced years before government standards would require such protection, has been

enhanced for 1995 with the addition of

energy absorbing plastic door inserts. Like all

Volvos, the new 960 is a four-wheel disc anti-lock

braking system, a feature that other safety features is standard.

The new 960 from Volvo actually comes with up to more than the sum of its parts. It truly feels like a new car, one which is stylish, full more than in kind. It's precise, confident, it is a more widely enjoyable and more lively car than many people would expect from a Volvo. The new 960 is a very pleasant surprise to drive.

The final surprise Volvo offers is its No Compromises 960 for 1995 is an exceptional value for the money. When they arrive at Volvo dealerships, the 960 will be new, fully equipped 960 will be introduced at a manufacturer's suggested retail price of \$29,900 for the sedan, and \$31,200 for the wagon.



low to medium rev range to enhance around town drivability. Volvo engineers traded away some peak horsepower, which was handy for the Autobahn, for some more torque which is handy on high way entrance ramps.

You can feel this difference almost immediately, and the electronically controlled four-speed automatic transmission does a fine job of getting the most performance and economy out of the engine with the least fuss. Any of three driving modes may be selected by the driver. Economy, for maximum fuel mileage and smooth shifts at low rpm's; Sport, for enhanced performance and shifts that occur at high

rpm's; or Winter, which locks out the first two gears for enhanced starting ability in low traction conditions. A 960's utilize an automatic lock differential for enhanced traction at low speed.

Steering is very notable, road feels quite good, and the car's response always feels willing, predictable and linear.

Volvo first introduced its multi-link independent rear suspension in 1988. This sophisticated system delivers a quiet and smooth ride while minimizing any changes in wheel angle or track which might adversely affect handling. The new Volvo engineers have replaced the original stamped steel subframe with a compact and lightweight die-casting. The steel

Generation Xers love their car stereos

Cars and kids are as American as apple pie. Two-thirds of the teenagers who drive cars will use the portable cassette and compact disc players. For Generation Xers, the car stereo is the centerpiece of their social life, and it's the only place where they can listen to their favorite music.

There's no doubt that music has made the car the place to be for Generation X. In a recent California survey, young people spend almost 20 hours a week in their cars, with 30 percent saying they sit

in their cars just to listen to the sound system.

This new autosound culture has produced a boom in mobile electronics. The electronics industry has developed innovative ways to reach the Generation Xers, a new breed of two-wheel product. The car stereo is the new must-have.

According to Doug Wulsterman, vice president of the Sony Mobile Electronics Division, Generation Xers live in a world of cars, radios, videos, and computer gadgetry. It takes a lot to impress them because they're turned-off by traditional advertising hype.

Improving air fragrance

There's nothing more refreshing good news for anyone who's ever been in a car for a long time with a lot of people. A new product has been devised to improve the air fragrance in any vehicle.

The tiny unit features innovative membrane technology, which means more consistent air freshening than offered by other devices. What's more, it lasts for 30 days and has a shutter for fragrance quantity control.

It works best between 60 and 80 degrees, the average temperature

inside a car and because it fastens to a visor or elsewhere, it's unobtrusive and doesn't get in the way of watching the rearview mirror or using the radio controls.

Found in supermarkets, drug stores and discount stores, it could help many families, carpoolers, delivery people, traveling sales persons and Little League coaches breathe a bit easier while on the road.

A tiny device that fastens to the visor can make a big difference in the comfort level of a car's passengers

Females flex money muscles

Analysts estimate that women will spend in excess of \$30 billion dollars on new vehicles this year. It's also estimated they will directly influence the spending of another \$60 million on cars and trucks by spouses and male friends.

Surprising? Not when one considers that in today's American automotive market, women make up nearly 50 percent of all drivers on the road.

Today, with the heightened participation in the work force and dual income status in many households, women, as automotive consumers, now occupy an extremely influential position in the automotive industry. They are now a force to be reckoned with and have the power of the purse.

Women constitute more than 50 percent of the total buyers purchasing each automobile in the U.S. A recent survey by J.D. Power & Associates, an international automotive market research firm, to determine women's involvement in the car market, confirmed the following:

Female buyers are generally younger, better educated, and more likely to be single than their male

counterparts.

They are more likely to be employed in a professional or technical field.

They have begun to seek excitement and individuality in their choice of personal transportation.

Today's female factor has, indeed, caused the automotive industry to solicit women's input when planning new products and marketing current product lines. Manufacturers have added design innovations heavily influenced by women's focus groups:

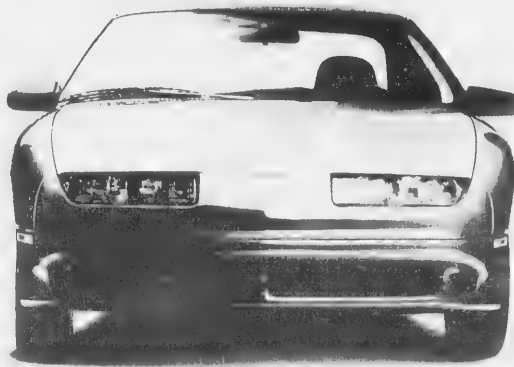
Seat has been developed with vertical height adjustment and a longer seat track. This design allows women of different sizes and shapes greater mobility.

Power window buttons are toggle switches, which are easier to use and greatly reduce the possibility of damage to nails. The same concept was used designing the new door handles.

Ergonomically, the same theory was used in the advent of larger radio buttons, air conditioning buttons and cruise control buttons.

Women are leaving their mark on car design in '95.

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Facts on daytime running lamps

Here are some questions and answers about daytime running lamps (DRLs), what they are and why General Motors will become the first U.S. automaker to install them as standard equipment on some of its cars in the 1995 model year and on all vehicles by the 1997 model year.

Q. There doesn't seem to be much of a demand for daytime running lamps from either car buyers or from the government. So why is GM going ahead and installing them on its cars and trucks?

A. The evidence shows that daytime running lamps can help prevent multiple-vehicle crashes, so we just

decided to go ahead and do it. Our customers say, "Give us something that works and really can provide benefits." That's exactly what DRLs are all about—a simple, cost-effective way to help highway users see each other sooner and better. It should help reduce multiple-vehicle crashes and save lives.

Q. We know that the headlamps of a car with DRLs are on during daylight hours. How does this help prevent crashes?

A. DRL-equipped cars are more visible and more attention getting. You might ask, "what's the difference?" Visible means that if you look hard enough, you can see it, but that

doesn't mean you'll notice it. Attention getting means you'll notice it, too. DRLs do both. Better visibility helps in low light situations, such as dusk, and with older drivers whose eyes require more light. But because they are more attention getting, DRLs also help even at high noon and with young drivers, too. The final bonus is that DRLs do for you during daylight what the headlamps of other cars do for you at night: they give you a very early indication of an operating car or truck, in which direction it is headed, and how far away it is.

Q. What kind of evidence do you have that this actually reduces crashes?

A. There is mounting evidence from a variety of sources showing that DRLs can reduce multiple-vehicle collisions. Insurance industry studies from countries where DRLs have been in use for a number of years show substantial reductions in multiple-vehicle crashes—23 percent in Sweden, 40 percent in Norway and 37 percent in Finland. There also has been a strong indication of DRL success in Canada where DRLs have been standard equipment since the 1990 model year (effective December 1, 1989). Transport Canada, the government agency responsible for traffic safety, says that preliminary results

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Ford's Explorer sets new market standards

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transmission, are expected to boost fuel economy and performance feel for 1995.

Other leading edge sport utility safety features include speed sensitive windshield wipers, a state-of-the-art high mount stop lamp, rear seat head restraints, illuminated controls and an adjustable height shoulder belt.

"Our research shows customers rate safety as a primary factor when purchasing a new vehicle," said Mr. Roberts.

"No other sport utility vehicle

offers so many robust safety features as Explorer. By listening to our customers, we have set new criteria for the sport utility vehicle market."

Driver and passenger supplemental restraint systems (airbags) utilize three crash sensors. The air bags have been tested for off-road conditions and to meet all applicable federal automobile safety regulations.

The stopping power of four-wheel disc brakes combined with the four wheel anti-lock braking system offer improved control on dry, wet or slick surfaces, helping to prevent wheel lockup. The improved braking system has a higher resistance to wear and

fade.

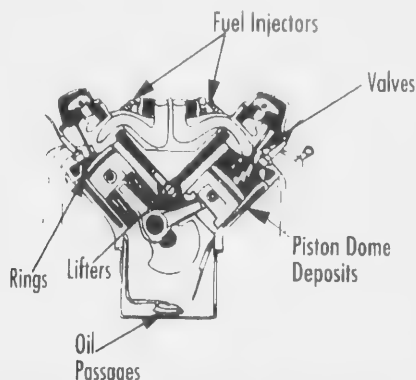
Explorer introduces the latest in four-wheel-drive technology, the computerized Control Trac system, which is offered as standard on all four-wheel-drive versions. This leading edge system, based on various road conditions, automatically places the vehicle in four-wheel drive when rear wheel slippage occurs—a "set and forget" feature. It provides the benefit of present four-wheel drive, all-wheel drive and more. Because of its on-demand engagement design, continuous use on dry pavement will not damage the Control Trac system.

An auto industry first, the high

mount stop lamp lights faster than industry standard lamps. This may give drivers following the 1995 Explorer additional reaction time and stopping distance.

Passenger restraint is provided by a new, five-position adjustable height shoulder belt which increases comfort and versatility for vehicle occupants.

An integrated rear child seat will be available as a post Job One option on four-door models. In addition, front seat head restraints have been added for both comfort and safety. The restraints can be lowered into a reclining position without being removed.



Be nice to engines

You know your car's engine needs the right care in order to run properly. That's why you change your oil regularly and put in the "good" gas. Good enough, right? Think again. Over time, deposits, which can rob your car of power, build up in your engine. Especially susceptible are combustion chambers, rings, fuel injectors and intake valves. Even though modern motor oil and gasoline contains additives to meet the demands of today's engines, it may not be enough.

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of a recent study indicate the Canadian program has resulted in a nine percent reduction in two-vehicle daytime collision rates in the four years the program has been in effect.

Q. What will DRLs cost drivers?

A. Nothing is free, but DRLs come close. There is a cost to add DRLs to our cars and trucks and a fraction of a mile per gallon fuel penalty (on the order of \$3 a year for the average

driver). We hope this may be offset by a reduction in insurance rates in two to three years if U.S. insurance companies see a reduction in insurance claims for vehicle damage. But in any case, the safety benefit of daytime running lamps far outweighs the initial cost.

Q. Some articles have said that there may be a glare problem for oncoming motorists. Is this correct?

A. This really is a non-issue. The headlamps don't even have the inten-

sity of normal low-beam headlamps because the voltage to the high-beam, which is the most-common way DRLs are accomplished, is reduced. Of course, correct aim should be maintained on all headlamps, whether or not they are part of a DRL system, to optimize illumination and avoid causing glare to oncoming drivers. The addition of the DRL system doesn't change this basic fact.

Q. Won't the use of DRLs cause headlamps to burn out faster?

A. Because the voltage to the head-

lamp bulb is reduced, the impact on bulb life is negligible.

Q. How do DRLs fit into GM's work on crash avoidance?

A. General Motors has a Total Safety Systems approach to safety. It's sort of like a three-legged stool, with emphasis on driver behavior, crash protection and crash avoidance. We work to protect occupants in crashes. But we should — and do — work just as hard to keep people out of crashes.

DRLs reduce multiple-vehicle collisions

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sion rates in the four years the program has been in effect.

The results of these studies have not been lost on American automakers. General Motors, the first U.S. automaker to offer daytime running lamps as standard equipment, hopes to put more than five million DRL-equipped vehicles on the road each year by 1997.

The daytime running lamps GM is supplying to customers can provide oncoming motorists an earlier indication of what they are seeing — a car or truck — in which direction it is heading and about how far away it is.

At the GM Safety Center, the manager of strategic planning has found that DRLs can help highway users see each other better, avoid crashes and save lives. GM safety experts think

DRLs are such a good idea that GM is installing them without waiting for other manufacturers.

In the U.S., Avis ran a seven-month test on its rental fleet and found that DRLs can help prevent multiple-vehicle crashes in many light conditions, including bright sunshine. Cars without DRLs were found by the rental company to have 69 percent worse damage severity than cars equipped with the daytime running lights.

The keys are locked in the car

You can lose time and money by leaving your keys inside a locked car. To help avoid this, Shell Motorist Club offers these tips:

Develop a key removal routine. Make key removal an automatic reflex. Remind yourself to always double-check for the keys each time you leave your car.

Carry an extra large key ring. This will help make your keys harder to ignore. It's also easier to find when you're in a hurry.

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Blazers speak with the 'Voice of the Customer'

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the class. A new variable-ratio steering gear provides a quick response at all speeds and reduces turns lock-to-lock. A specially-tuned steering spool valve and revisions to front suspension settings enhances straight-line tracking.

An all-new Blazer interior was designed from the "inside-out" to maximize driver and passenger comfort without adding excessive exterior bulk. The interior is more spacious than ever, with more front head room, more shoulder room and front hip room than previous models.

An ergonomically designed instrument panel features easy-to-read analog gauges as well as user-friendly controls which are easily reached by the driver. Fully adjustable, contoured seats accent a comfortable, quiet interior usually associated with expensive luxury cars.

The new Blazer has plenty of cargo space as well. GM engineers used a washing machine carton as a template when they designed the wide rear cargo opening. The spare tire is

mounted underneath the body on four-door models to increase cargo carrying capacity. On two- and four-door LS models and four-door LT models a unique rear cargo shade can be opened and closed without climbing into the vehicle, blocking objects in the cargo area from outside view.

The Blazer also includes such user-friendly interior features as cup holders, Scotchgard Fabric Protector on seats and trim, as well as dual 12-volt outlets (LS and LT models only) to power cellular phones and other electronic essentials of the nineties.

The design and engineering process of the all-new Blazer began with the "Voice of the Customer." A study was conducted in which participants rated the overall importance of various aspects of the vehicle, including reliability, performance, appearance, price and efficiency.

Consumers will recognize that the 1995 Blazer is one of the best values in the compact sport utility vehicle segment. Since 1983 more than 1.8 million compact Blazers have been sold.

1995 Tahoe: New name, new features

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and resonant lows. Features of Tahoe audio systems include automatic Speed-Compensated Volume Control, bidirectional seek, up to 6 AM and 12 PM station presets, a theft-deterrent system with an LED flasher, automatic tape-cleaning reminder, and Automatic Tone Select that sets equalizer levels for music and talk programs with one touch.

1995 powertrain improvements for Tahoe include new high-flow exhaust manifolds for the standard 5.7 Liter small-block V8. A 6.5 Liter turbo-diesel with "drive by wire" Electronic fuel injection is optional. The standard 5-speed manual transmission has been improved for easier shifting and quieter operation. The optional four-speed electronically controlled

automatic with overdrive transmissions are filled with new Dexron III transmission fluid that never needs replacement under normal service.

Tahoe can tow up to 7,000 lbs. when properly equipped, seats up to five or six passengers (depending on seating options) and is available in two-wheel or four-wheel drive. Four-wheel drive models get the added benefit of Insta-Trac for "shift-on-the-fly" convenience.

Tahoe is built to handle the rough stuff — whether it's an unpaved road to a secret fishing hole or a weekday commute on snow-covered highways. With upscale appointments and rugged C/K platform components, Chevy Tahoe is a sport utility vehicle with a proven history and a promising future contributing to Chevy's success as a leader in the SUV industry.

Quick checks prevent costly repairs

Auto dealers and mechanics agree, giving a car a quick five-minute maintenance check each week will prevent costly repair bills and prolong the life of your car.

The only tools necessary for the check are a rag or paper towel, tire gauge and multi-purpose lubricant.

On a weekly basis, or when filling up at a gas station, professional mechanics recommend checking:

- Oil levels: Check and change oil on a regular basis. Check automatic transmission fluid monthly by parking with engine running (not hot). Add fluid if dipstick reads low. It's time to check the brake fluid when the pedal has to be pushed closer to the floor to stop.

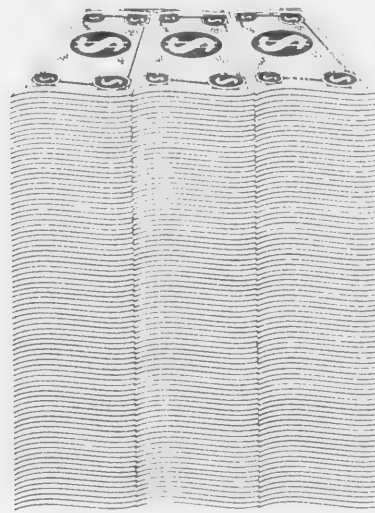
- Tires: Examine for worn tread and incorrect alignment of the tires. The tires are out of alignment if there is uneven wear on the threads. Check tire pressure with a pressure gauge.

- Coolant: Check radiator fluid level when car is cool by examining coolant overflow tank or removing radiator cap. Add water if necessary. Replace antifreeze/coolant solution annually.

- Corrosion: Check for clean battery connections. Make sure terminal and cables are free of corrosion and are firmly attached.

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Avoid the 'No-Zone'

One place you don't want to stay when driving is in the "No-Zone." That's what the Federal Highway Administration calls the areas around large trucks and buses where cars "disappear" into truck or bus driver blind spots.

Unlike passenger cars, trucks and buses have deep blind spots directly behind them. Truck and bus drivers cannot see cars in this position and car drivers severely reduce their own view of traffic flow. Following too closely greatly increases the car driver's chance of a rear-end collision with a commercial vehicle.

In addition, trucks and buses have much larger blind spots on both sides than passenger cars do. When automobiles travel in these blind spots, they may not be seen by truck and bus drivers. If a commercial driver needs to brake or change lanes suddenly for any reason, contact with the car in this "No-Zone" can occur.

Most truck trailers are eight and a half feet wide and can completely hide objects that come between them and loading areas. Automobile drivers attempting to pass behind a truck when it's backing up enter another "No-Zone" for both drivers.

Cars directly beside or behind a truck or a bus may be putting themselves in danger at other times, too. Routinely, drivers of large vehicles

need to swing wide to the left to make right-hand turns. They cannot see cars in the "No-Zone." Cutting in between the commercial vehicle and the curb or shoulder to the right increases the possibility of a crash.

According to Federal Highway Administrator Rodney E. Slater, "Government agencies, the truck and bus industries, and consumer safety groups have made great progress in decreasing the rate of fatal accidents through regulation and education within the commercial vehicle industry. But we can do more in the way of educating drivers with the knowledge needed to join truck and bus drivers in a true partnership for highway safety."

Trucks and buses have much larger blind spots on both sides than passenger cars do.

Recycle car batteries

Across the nation, everyone is recycling to help preserve our natural resources and keep our environment clean. Car batteries are the most recycled product in our country. Nearly 97 percent of all lead car batteries are recycled every year.

The widespread recycling of lead batteries is encouraged by laws in forty-two states that make recycling mandatory. Retailers play an important role by recycling all used car batteries brought in by consumers to be replaced. If you replace your own car battery, make sure you drop it off at any service station or retailer that sells car batteries to guarantee your battery becomes part of the recycling stream.

Be sure to follow these safety tips when handling your old battery:

- Keep sparks and flames away from the battery and don't smoke nearby.
- Never place metal objects on top of the battery. Remove rings, chains and other metallic items before handling.
- Wear safety glasses or goggles when working with lead batteries.
- Keep the battery right-side-up and carry in a non-metallic, leak-proof container.
- Do not place excessive pressure on the ends of the battery. Use a battery carrier or lift the battery (or its case) carefully, with your hands placed on opposite corners.

When following these safety tips, recycling lead batteries couldn't be safer or easier.

Car's quirks can be tip-off to winter driving problems

If you're watching your budget like most people these days, you've probably had your car for at least several years. That may have given you a chance to learn its little quirks — and to save money in the process.

If you've discovered a tendency for your car to overheat, then you should waste no time in taking the proper maintenance steps to avoid potential winter problems. This is especially true for car owners in areas subject to

severe cold weather.

Your first step should be to flush the cooling system and replace the old antifreeze. Your mechanic can do this, or you can save money by doing it yourself with the aid of an easy-to-use flush kit available in most stores selling car care products.

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Buick launches its luxury flagship sedans

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improved lettering with backlighting, making them easier to use day or night.

A new air-conditioning compressor further improves the efficiency of the air-conditioning system. Also new for 1995 is a quieter blower motor.

A heated seat for the front passenger is available for 1995, to accompany the optional heated driver seat. The optional memory seat function now includes power recline.

Optional on the Park Avenue, and standard on the Park Avenue Ultra, is a new rear-seat storage armrest complete with two cup holders.

The optional electrochromic rear-view mirror, which automatically dims to reduce glare, now includes a compass.

Extensive safety features

The already extensive safety systems of the Park Avenue and Park Avenue Ultra have been further improved for 1995.

Rear shoulder belts are equipped with a guide that makes the belt more



Park Avenue Sedan



Park Avenue Ultra

comfortable for children over age 4, as well as for many smaller adults.

A guide clip and elastic strap fit between the rear seat cushion and quarter trim, where they are normally concealed from view. When the passenger pulls out the clip and inserts the shoulder belt into it, the elastic holds the belt away from the face and neck.

The front shoulder belt comfort adjusters allows the driver and front passenger to vary the height of the shoulder belt for improved comfort.

Park Avenue and Park Avenue Ultra continue to offer dual front air bags as standard equipment. Also standard are four-wheel independent

suspension and four-wheel anti-lock brakes.

Optional on both Park Avenue and Park Avenue Ultra is an interactive traction control system. Introduced for the 1994 model year, the system uses the anti-lock brakes and powertrain control module to reduce wheel-spin under slippery conditions.

If one of the drive wheels starts to lose traction, the ABS applies the brake to slow the spinning wheel, while the powertrain control computer trims back power output until traction is restored.

When teamed with the Park Avenue and Park Avenue Ultra's front-wheel drive and standard all-

season radial tires, traction control provides exceptional grip, no matter how bad the roads become.

Other safety and security features that continue to be standard on both Park Avenue and Park Avenue Ultra include the PASS-Key II theft-deterrent system, rear-door child security locks, and a power window lockout, which allows the driver to switch off the power windows so the passengers cannot operate them.

New for 1995 is a turn-signal on reminder, which reduces the chance that the turn signals will be left on accidentally, confusing other drivers.

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ice and snow come with it. After snow and ice are shaken off it can be rolled up and stored in your trunk, ready for the next night's work.

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Versatile and durable, the product

also functions as a general purpose, all-weather mat for working around the car. For example, use it as a pad for working under car or as a fender cover while working on the engine. Suggested retail price is \$19.95, plus \$4.95 for shipping and handling in the U.S., \$8.20 for Canada. To order, call 1-800-FROSTED (1-800-376-7833).

It never fails — cars behave when in the shop

I know my car won't do that when I take it into the shop, you told yourself. You were right. It acted just fine, so you tried to recall the symptoms and convey them to your technician.

That's not always easy, as perception and terminology vary from person to person, especially between technician and car owner.

Sometimes the problem makes itself evident to the technician, like a malfunctioning air conditioner or engine.

But most car trouble manifests itself on the road. For this reason it's a good idea to make notes of the symptoms and circumstances surrounding the occurrence. This is especially true in the case of handling or ride-control difficulties, which usually occur under circumstances not easily demonstrated in the shop.

These problems usually can be traced to worn shock absorbers, struts or other suspension components. Sometimes it's a tire, wheel

alignment or balance that's at fault.

The Car Care Council offers help in recording information with which a technician can begin his or her diagnosis of handling problems. If you've noticed some of these symptoms, use the following checklist to note the pertinent data.

For an informative brochure on ride control, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Car Care Council, Dept. RC, One Grande Lake Drive, Port Clinton, Ohio 43452.

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Ride control system checklist

Check the appropriate symptom(s) and note driving conditions.

The car pulls to the ☐ left or ☐ right when brakes are applied.

The car pulls to the ☐ left or ☐ right with hands off the steering wheel.

☐ The steering wheel feels "loose," has too much play.

The car ☐ shakes or ☐ vibrates.

☐ The car has a shimmy (violent shaking which can be felt in the steering wheel and which may stop when the brakes are applied or speed is changed).

☐ The car sways in the wind at high speeds.

☐ The car sways on turns.

☐ The car "bottoms out" with a thump after hitting a bump or going over a dip in the road. This may be aggravated by a heavy load in the rear.

☐ The car bobs up and down after coming to an abrupt stop.

☐ The front end dives in an abrupt stop.

☐ The wheels bounce, especially on rutted or "washboard" surface or when crossing railroad tracks.

Date: _____ Time: _____

Location: _____

Road surface: _____

Weather condition: _____

Other pertinent information: _____

Clean that car – inside and out

Now's the time to start unpacking the winter wardrobe. But while you're searching for your favorite cold-weather coat, don't forget another important covering: your car's winter coat.

Many car owners don't realize that automobiles need special care before the onslaught of winter weather.

"The first step in 'winterizing' a car is removing all of summer's residues from the interior and exterior of the vehicle," said Tom Walker, product manager, Ziebart Corporation.

When cleaning the vehicle, special attention should be paid to those hard-to-reach places like the engine compartment, vehicle underbody and inside door panels. It is also important to remove dirt and residue from the interior's upholstery and carpet, as residue build-up accelerates deterioration.

Once a thorough cleaning is complete, protection is the next step. With winter comes snow, slush rain, ice and, worst of all salt. According to The American Salt Institute, on average, 60 million tons of salt are distributed over slippery U.S. roads every winter. And of that, about 3.5 pounds end up on your car, corroding painted and metal surfaces.

Although new vehicle design and galvanized metals offer improved rust protection, it doesn't guarantee that newer cars will never rust. On untreated vehicles, salt and water can reach interior body panels and door seams causing rust that will eventually eat through to the exterior. Many people believe that after their car is exposed to salt, a thorough wash is

adequate protection against corrosion. While frequent washing is good, it only removes salt from the outside of the body panels, not from inside surfaces of doors and seams, where it can be most damaging.

"The only sure protection against corrosion for your vehicle's body panels is an aftermarket rust protection coating. Our rust protection warranty covers all body panels and structures prone to rust, especially the many hidden areas" said Mr. Walker.

Even if you own a three- to five-year-old automobile, it's not too late to begin protecting your car.

Mr. Walker gives this advice: Start now by having the interior and exterior of the vehicle professionally detailed and protected. And, have your car professionally rust-protected with time-proven products by technicians trained in rust protection application. With proper care and protection one can add years to their car's life.

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Improper wheel alignment wears tires, wastes fuel

You've seen cars going down the road like John Wayne walked – facing one way and going another. According to race car driver Pat Lazzaro, that's an unusual but dramatic example of poor tire alignment.

"More often than not, an improperly aligned car appears normal and drives okay, but every rotation of the tires scrubs tread off needlessly," Ms. Lazzaro says. "While there can be many causes, the biggest culprits are improper toe setting and camber."

Toe is the adjustment which causes tires to point in, out or straight ahead, like being pigeon-toed. Camber is the adjustment which causes the top of the tire to be closer or further away from the car than the bottom – its lean. If toe and camber are not adjusted carefully, tread loss is certain.

"When your tires are out of alignment, your engine has to push harder to move the car down the road," Ms. Lazzaro says. "So you're not only losing tread, you're sacrificing fuel effi-

ciency. Couple that with the driving hazards poor alignment creates and you've got a serious problem affecting your pocketbook and your safety."

Ms. Lazzaro says alignment requirements are spelled out in every vehicle's owner's manual, with every 10,000 miles being the most common interval for this service.

"A good mechanic will look at your entire suspension system when performing an alignment," Ms. Lazzaro says. "Shocks, struts, bushings, bearings, tie rods and other components should be checked and corrections made, if necessary, before the alignment. And this includes all four wheels and tires – there's really no such thing as just a front-end alignment anymore – it only does half the job."

Ms. Lazzaro, a spokeswoman for Firestone Service Centers, has compiled a free brochure of maintenance information for motorists. "Car Care Tips" is available free by calling 1-800-9-FIRESTONE.

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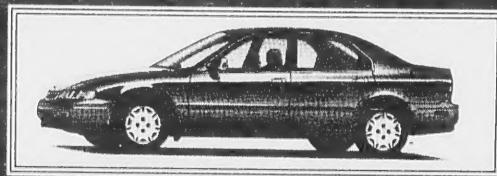
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